

President Nixon tells his Cabinet he will fight to the end to stay in office

President Nixon is not going to resign. He told a Cabinet meeting in Washington yesterday that he would fight to the end to stay in office, and made spirited defence of his conduct.



President Nixon has a word with Dr Kissinger before his Cabinet meeting yesterday. Another photograph, page 6.

Republicans join demands for resignation

Republicans in the House and Senate have joined demands for President Nixon's resignation. The House Judiciary Committee has voted to impeach Nixon, and the Senate is expected to follow suit.

Inflation will not affect new savings schemes

For the first time savers in Britain will have their savings guaranteed against inflation. The Government is introducing a new savings scheme to protect investors from rising prices.

Turks capture two more Cyprus villages in biggest battle since ceasefire pact on island

British forces had to beat a hasty retreat down the narrow lanes through the lemon groves. The Turks have now expanded their territory on the western side of the island, capturing two more villages in a major battle.

Ankara says 35,000 are being held hostage by Greeks

The Turkish Government has accused the Greek Cypriot leadership of holding 35,000 Turkish citizens as hostages. Ankara claims that the Greek side is using the hostages as leverage in negotiations.

Bomb in Los Angeles airport kills two

At least two people were killed and 36 others injured when a bomb exploded in a luggage locker at Los Angeles International Airport. The explosion occurred while passengers were waiting for their flights.

Robinson held at Blackpool

Barry Robinson, the former Broadmoor patient, was held by police in connection with the kidnapping of three people last Thursday. He was detained at Blackpool, Lancashire.

Police officer Red on clash dies

Police Inspector David Gist, who was killed during a clash between groups of young and right-wing extremists in London on Monday night, was buried yesterday.

Shipyard chief goes as state takeover nears

There has been speculation since the statement by Mr Orme, Minister of State for Northern Ireland, that heads would roll at the company, which is Ulster's largest single employer. The chief executive is expected to leave as the state takeover progresses.

Mr Crosland rejects plan for tunnels under Bath

Mr Crosland points out that, since current traffic management proposals for Bath assume construction of the tunnel, present policies might have to be reviewed. He suggests that the special studies recommended by the consultants should not be necessary.

Radiographers walk off job at 45 hospitals

Leaders are angry at his refusal to say exactly what the increases will be. ASTMS officials have asked Mrs Castle, Secretary of State for Social Services, to override the inquiry.

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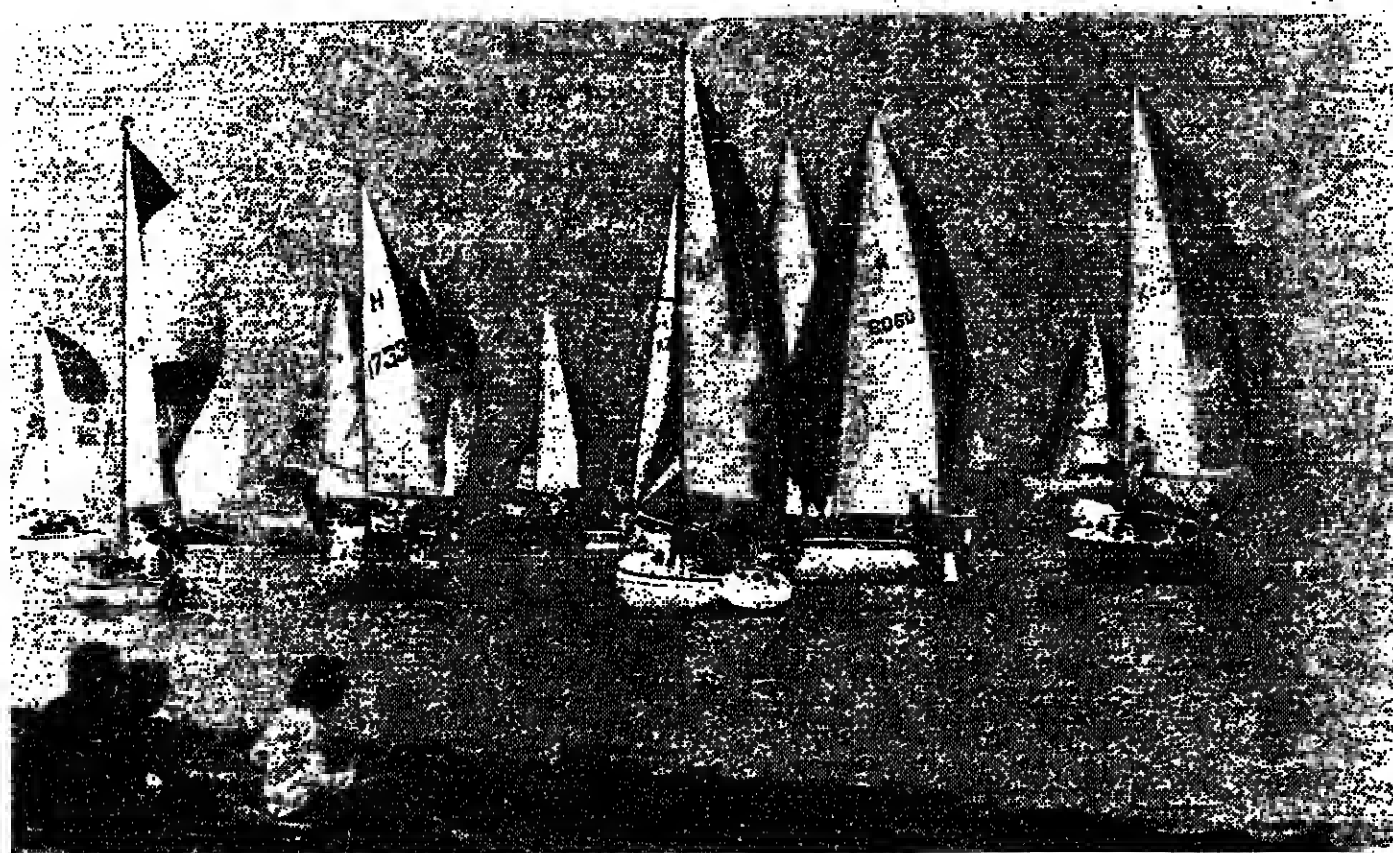
HOME NEWS

Protestant delegation to outline proposals for Ulster to Mr Rees

From Robert Fisk Belfast
The men with whom the British Government refused to negotiate during the Protestant strike last May, and who later destroyed the power-sharing Northern Ireland Executive, are to travel to Stormont Castle today for an hour's discussion with Mr Rees, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland. The delegation of 13, will include members of the Ulster Workers Council, led by Mr Glen Barr, the loyalist Assemblyman, and representatives of the various Protestant private armies.

People are leaving Britain's big cities

By Tim Jones
The new volume of results from the 1971 census published today confirms the population shift from large cities shows that people are living longer, and points to an increase in the number of people being divorced. In addition, the report shows that the population of Great Britain increased by only 0.5 per cent to 54 million since 1961.



Spectators at Cowes watch the racing yachts on a spinnaker reach. Report and results, page 8.

Mr Wilson firmly rejects 'pussyfooting' coalition

Mr Wilson, the Prime Minister, said last night that he would rather have a strong Conservative government after the next election than a "pussyfooting" coalition that would agree about nothing except things that are not adequate for the task.

More ratepayers warned to expect economy axe in public services

By Christopher Warman Local Government Correspondent
With more than half the year to go before the next rate levy, another local authority has warned ratepayers that they face a decline in public services next year.

Ratepayers call for spokesman to resign

By Martin Huckerby
One of the constituent organizations of the National Association of Ratepayers' Action Groups (Narag) has called for the resignation of Mr David Petri, the Narag spokesman.

White Tower reopens

The White Tower, scene of last month's bomb blast at the Tower of London, reopened to the public yesterday when the basement, where the bomb that killed a woman and injured 37 others was planted, and 10 floors remain shut.

Union leader criticizes 'squalid' Hailsham amendments to trade union Act

By Our Labour Staff
Opposition amendments in the Lords to the Government's Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill were criticized yesterday by Mr David Bannett, general secretary of Britain's third-largest union, the General and Municipal Workers.

Chemical blast starts fire at a factory

A series of explosions ripped through a factory yesterday, hurling barrels of flaming chemicals into the air. The incident started a huge fire at the Thomas Swan and Cook factory at Crookhall, Consett, Co. Durham.

Yard investigates Bradford corruption allegations

Scotland Yard special inquiries squad began an investigation in Bradford yesterday into allegations of corruption in the city, including local connections with the John Poulson affair.

Concorde at Heathrow

The Concorde flew into Heathrow airport yesterday for parking trials and completed 14 telephone calls complaining about the noise from the monitoring units at Heathrow said that its landing was quieter than a 707's and similar to a Trident's.

Cautious play in second round of British chess

From Harry Golombek Chess Correspondent Clacton-on-Sea
Cautious play in the second round of the British chess championship at Clacton yesterday brought a spate of fairly early draws.

Prisoners on jail roof

A big force of police, some with dogs, surrounded Hull jail last night, after three prisoners climbed on the roof of a cell block. The Home Office said the prisoners, who were on the roof at 6.35 pm, were not identified. The jail, in Hedon Road, houses about 230 top security prisoners.

Advertisement for Augustus Barlett, 'The Cut-Price Wine Merchant'. It features various wine bottles with prices like 37p and 75p, and a list of 200 Players No.10, No.6, etc. at £1.29. It also lists various store locations around London and other areas.

Autumn favourites saved as BBC strike ends

By a Staff Reporter
BBC television drama and light entertainment programmes went back into production yesterday after the settlement of the strike of 90 production assistants.

Weather forecast and recordings

Weather forecast and recordings section. It includes a map of the UK showing pressure systems, a table for 'Today' with sunrise/sunset times, and a 'Weather Reports Yesterday' table for various locations like London, Manchester, and Glasgow.

Power unit that can run on sewage gas wins an award

By Pearce Wright
A team that developed a gas turbine engine that runs equally well on methane from a sewage works or North Sea gas, won the Royal Society Esso award.

In brief

Threat of more print strikes
Pay talks failed last night to end the Stationery Office print dispute which has affected government publications. It may now spread to companies with government printing contracts.

Train fall kills woman

A woman aged about 23, who was killed after falling out of the 100 mph London to Wolverhampton train yesterday near Leam, Bucks, Northamptonshire, died under suspicious circumstances, a police officer said last night.

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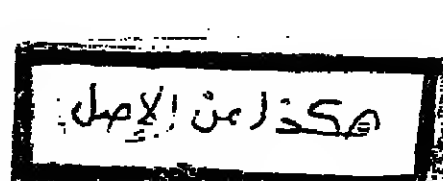
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It feels just as good between Hyde Park Corner and Oxford Circus.

When you think about it, it's never really hard to make elaborate claims about high-performance cars when they're on the open road. Out on the fast, traffic-free autoroutes of the South of France it's easy to boast about a car's 'superb roadholding' or 'excellent handling'. But what so many manufacturers seem to forget these days is that a car can no longer be judged on this sort of performance alone. Not that we're denying the excitement of cruising, open-topped down the Autoroute du Sud in our 450SL. Nor decrying the thrill of having all that extra power as you twist and wind up the Route Napoléon from Castellane to Digne. It's just that now you've also got to consider how well your car performs in today's traffic jams and generally crowded and restricted roads. How fit for business you are after a crawl through the city. How confident you feel as you carve a way through rain-soaked, congested back streets. How relaxed you are after parking all 14½ft. in a space resembling the size of a sixpence. (Surely you've heard of those people who'll actually leave their cars at home rather than

suffer their parking.) Obviously, though, only a test drive in the 450SL can really convince you of all its capabilities in the town. Only then will you discover quite all the virtues of its unique powers of acceleration. Only then will you realise the advantages of having firm, anatomically-contoured seats. You can discover too the beauties of parking with the help of our power-assisted steering. (Just three turns of the wheel and you've achieved full wheel lock.) And, of course, note the number of heads you turn as you go. Then, perhaps, finally you'll agree with the Times motoring correspondent, recently traffic-bound in a Mercedes for 2½ hours, who simply commented: 'It was a tribute to the comfort of the car that the ordeal was not as frustrating as it might have been.' And isn't that, today, just as impressive as the power of our V8 engine, its 4.5 litre capacity or our high speed straight-line and cornering stability?



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Magistrates' powers to deal with football hooligans often thwarted by shortage of facilities

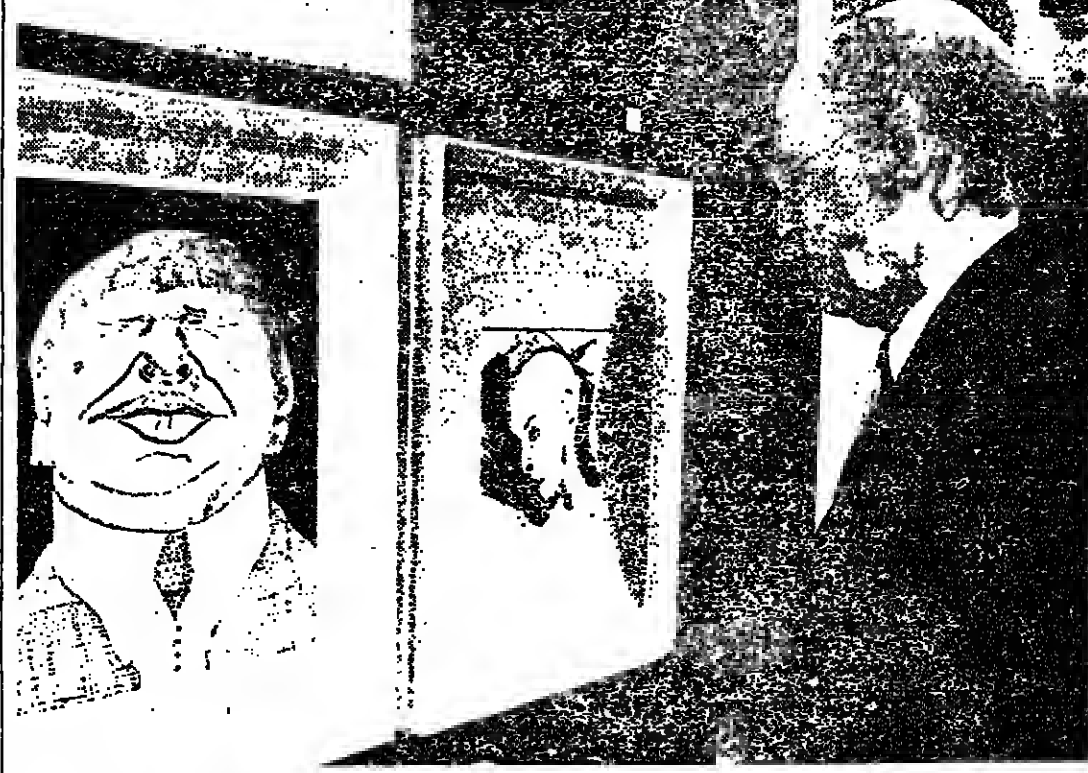
By Marcel Berlins
Legal Correspondent
Magistrates and judges are concerned that the legal powers they have to deal with football hooligans are often rendered virtually useless by the lack of facilities available to back up the law.

Attendance centres have the advantage that they are held on Saturday afternoons and therefore keep the child away from a football match during that period. They have traditionally been used by magistrates for vandals and hooligans of up to the age of 17.

Mr A. J. Brayshaw, secretary of the Magistrates' Association, said yesterday that some effective way had to be found to take away from a youth committing such offences his freedom to go to football matches. That, however, would require legislation.

Attendance confounds South Bank critics

By Our Arts Reporter
More than 1,250,000 people go to South Bank concert halls in London each year. That is more than the attendances for Covent Garden, the Coliseum and the provincial opera companies put together.



Lord Longford studying pictures by prisoners at the annual Koestler Award Exhibition which he opened in London yesterday

Bad driving caused six deaths on M1

The police said at an inquest yesterday that bad driving caused the deaths of six people in one of the worst series of motorway crashes. More than 300 vehicles were involved in the collisions on both carriageways of the M1 near Crick, Northamptonshire on March 13.

Five United youths in custody for a month

Bruges.—Five young Manchester United supporters are accused of acts of violence at Ostend during the weekend, appeared in court at Bruges yesterday and were remanded in custody for a month.

gendarme. None was represented. They are charged with using violence to destroy property, which carries a sentence of from one week to three years in jail and a fine of from £8 to £150.

the damage has been paid for. He asked for the remand in custody "as a lesson to English soccer vandals".

Prosecution query about 'John Bull's Nigger'

By Peter Evans
Home Affairs Correspondent
Mr Archer, the Solicitor General, has promised to send extracts from a new book, John Bull's Nigger, to the Director of Public Prosecutions for him to decide whether a prosecution would be justified under the Race Relations Act.

Crown for nephew of Lloyd George

From Trevor Fishlock
Carmarthen
The Crown of the National Eisteddfod of Wales, one of the two main prizes of the festival, was won yesterday by Mr William George, a nephew of Lloyd George. To the acclamation of 6,000 people he was trumpeted to the stage that his uncle once held to such effect.

Liberal attack on legacy of Mr Heath

By Our Political Staff
At a time when there is much speculation about a possible Conservative-Liberal coalition after the next election, Mr Stephen Ross, Liberal MP for the Isle of Wight, went out on his way last night to attack a Tory record in government and opposition.

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Sleepy driver blamed for railway crash

A goods train driver who fell asleep in his cab after handing over to his secondman and helping to isolate the audible warning system had been grossly irresponsible, a railway accident inspector says in a report today.

Chiropodist attacks bone-bending shoes

By a Staff Reporter
Three children out of four have deformed feet by the time they reach the age of 15, a chiropodist said yesterday. He said the shoe manufacturers, shops and mothers were all to blame.

Report on lonely death

From Our Correspondent
Brighton
A confidential report on the case of a woman aged 50 who died of cancer at home without nursing or other care was considered by health service officials meeting in private at Brighton yesterday.

Scots are 'most toothless nation in world'

From Our Correspondent
Edinburgh
Scotland was a nation of "dental cripples", Dr James Trainer, Chief Dental Officer in the Scottish Home and Health Department, said in Edinburgh yesterday.

Birth rate cut seen as a key to economic survival

By a Staff Reporter
Abortion on request and free birth control to everyone who has reached puberty are called for in a report published today by Population Stabilization, a pressure group formed to encourage a reduction in Britain's birth rate.

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University researchers question practice of removing knee cartilages

From Ronald Kershaw
Leeds
The practice, common in the treatment of injured footballers, of completely removing damaged knee cartilages is questioned by researchers and clinicians from Leeds University's bio-engineering group, who have found that cartilages are more important to joint function than was previously supposed.

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Dr Trainer said the report showed that the Scots were the most toothless nation in the world. It showed that 53 per cent of people did not turn up for treatment until they were in pain. That illustrated the fear they had of dentists but he pointed out that preventive treatment had made tremendous advances in the past few years.

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WEST EUROPE

Italian Cabinet framing laws to combat violence as jealousies split security forces

Peter Nichols Aug 6. Heads of the main security forces will attend the ministerial meeting tomorrow, suggests that the Government is doing something about the alleged jealousies and lack of cooperation among them. In an article headed "The bitter and useless lesson of five years of bombs and deaths," the Milan Corriere Della Sera says that "the country with too many police forces is defenceless". Two months ago, it is pointed out, a step forward was made in improving efficiency in the departments supposed to deal with political violence. Six days after a bomb exploded in Brescia during an anti-fascist demonstration, the Ministry of the Interior announced the winding up of its Special Branch and its replacement by an inspectorate to fight terrorism, and to ensure cooperation between the ministry's public security police, the Carabinieri and the Secret Service. Now after the Munich express bombing in which 12 people died and 48 were injured, the new inspectorate is seen to be functioning well. For example, at the first meeting at the Ministry of the Interior, the Carabinieri refused to recognize the inspectorate's task of coordination, and would offer neither men nor resources. The Secret Service, which has 2,000 men and a budget said to exceed the equivalent of £3,600,000, would offer only limited information. It is alleged by the Corriere that the fine new anti-terrorism

Portuguese cabinet placates the press

Lisbon, Aug 6.—The Portuguese Government tried today to ease its tense relations with the press with an announcement that a joint committee of newspaper management and the journalists' union will work out a new press law. This law, which has been in preparation for about three weeks, has been completed in its basic form, and the committee will work out its final version. The law, which has been in preparation for about three weeks, has been completed in its basic form, and the committee will work out its final version. The law, which has been in preparation for about three weeks, has been completed in its basic form, and the committee will work out its final version.

President Giscard d'Estaing retrieves a piece of historic Paris from the developers Les Halles site to be turned into a park

From Richard Wigg Paris, Aug 6. President Giscard d'Estaing has decided in favour of open spaces and against a planned international commercial centre on the old site of Les Halles, in central Paris. M. Xavier Gouyon-Beauchamps, the Elysee Palace spokesman, announced the decision after an inter-ministerial meeting today that decided the future of this historic area of Paris. The fate of Les Halles has been a controversial issue ever since the old Paris food market, near St Eustache church, was levelled by bulldozers. Under a plan adopted under President Pompidou, the site was to house an international commercial centre offering some 170,000 square metres of office space and an international contemporary arts centre. Immediately after M. Pompidou's death last April it was suggested that the future arts centre should bear his name. But today the spokesman said M. Giscard d'Estaing had decided to appoint an expert to produce proposals by the end of September for the landscaping of the open spaces in Les Halles area. Work on the international commercial centre, whose foundations had been started some time ago, has been suspended since last June. The Elysee spokesman said the President has decided that a new permit for the commercial centre "will now be granted so that the open space area can be extended". But the arts centre will be constructed, he added, although there have been objections about its height spoiling the skyline of Paris. From the original 1970 Les Halles development plan, approved by the Paris municipal council, only an underground trade forum and an underground coach station will be retained. The abandonment of the commercial centre is likely to run into opposition. M. Michel Guy, the Secretary of State for Cultural Affairs, only last month indicated that, while he personally favoured abandonment, the advanced stage of the project rendered that "impossible".

EEC objects to French subsidies on sugar

Brussels, Aug 6.—The European Commission has told the French Government that it considers anti-pollution subsidies paid to French sugar refiners are incompatible with the Treaty of Rome. Informed sources said here today. The Government has six weeks to reply to Commission arguments that the aids give French refiners an unfair advantage over other EEC producers and cut across the "polluter pays" principle accepted by the nine last year. According to the Commission, installation of anti-pollution devices—for example to purify water discharged from the refineries—should be carried out by the manufacturers at their own cost as the national subsidies were liable to distort competition between French and other EEC refiners.

French President agrees to visit Egypt

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Aug 6. President Giscard d'Estaing and President Sadat of Egypt have agreed to visit each other's country officially before the end of this year. Mr. Ismail Fahmy, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, said here today. The Foreign Minister had spent one hour talking with the French President at the Elysee. France announced yesterday that it will be giving Egypt a "symbolic" loan, but M. Jean Sauvagnargues, the French Foreign Minister, refused to reveal a figure.

Airliner is blown up at Brittany airport

From Richard Wigg Paris, Aug 6. A bomb explosion early today at Quimper airport in Brittany blew up a Fokker F27 aircraft of Air-Inter, the French domestic airline. The aircraft was parked overnight for the morning flight back to Paris. No message was left by the attackers, but police sources today suspected one of the various Breton autonomous groups. A Corsican autonomist movement in February similarly destroyed an Air-Inter Caravelle airliner parked overnight at Bastia airport. The statement denounced both the French state as an "occupying" force and the local authorities. Quimper airport is also a bone of contention for small farmers who have recently suffered compulsory purchase of part of their land for an extension of the runway. Last month farmers tried to prevent an aircraft from taking off by burning old tyres along the present runway.

Mont Blanc climbed by one-legged man

Granoble, Aug 6.—M. Remi Arnod, who has one leg and is a member of the Federal Ski Commission of the French Sport Federation for the Physically Handicapped, has scaled the north face of Mont Blanc. Less champagne Rheims, Aug 6.—Champagne production is expected to fall by about 15 per cent this year, the Champagne Producers' Association said today. Last year, about 200 million bottles were produced.—Reuter.

Spanish priests resign over suspension of one

Pamplona, Spain, Aug 6.—Twenty-four priests have resigned from parishes in and around northern Spain because their archbishop refused to reconsider the suspension of one of their colleagues. Liberal sources said today that the priests wrote to the bishop, Mr. Pedro Cantero Cuadrado, over two weeks ago, asking him to resign if he did not change his attitude towards the suspended priest. No reply was received from the archbishop. The priests informed the Council of the Realm, the country's top constitutional body, and one of the three members of the Council of the Regency, which will play a crucial role in the immediate aftermath of General Franco's death or retirement.—Reuter.

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Court experts clash on 'vampire' case

London, Aug 6.—The trial of a deaf and dumb "Dracula" who claims he drank his victims' blood was opened for the second time today with court psychiatrists locked on the question of mental responsibility. After a 13-minute appearance in a packed court, Bruno Hofmann, aged 41, was returned to custody for further medical examination. He is charged with shooting a courtier couple in nearby woods in May, 1972. The indictment states that a forensic examination revealed that blood had been sucked from their wounds. Mr. Hofmann, a labourer, earlier told the examining magistrate that he had broken 35 mortuaries and cemeteries and dug up corpses to drink blood from them, appearing psychotic at today's hearing.—Reuter.

Sick hijacker refuses surgery in jail

From Our Correspondent The Hague, Aug 6. A Palestinian who hijacked a British Airways VC10 jet aircraft and attempted to blow it up at Amsterdam airport, is in a Dutch prison hospital with appendicitis. He has refused Dutch surgeons permission to operate. Negotiations are taking place between his lawyer and the Ministry of Justice to investigate the possibility of his being taken to an Arab country for the operation. The Dutch authorities say that his life is not in immediate danger and that he has not refused medication. Mr. Nuri, aged 23, and Sami Tamima, aged 22, were both sentenced to five years' imprisonment by a Dutch court. The possibility of their serving part of their sentence in an Arab country has been left open by the Dutch authorities.

Impasse in talks on Berlin access disruptions

Berlin, Aug 6.—East and West German officials met in East Berlin today to voice their differences over disruptions of traffic between West Germany and West Berlin, with no change of attitude apparent on either side. A 19th session of the Inter-German Transit Commission was held at Bonn's quest to discuss traffic spots carried out by East Germany as a protest against the East German office for environmental protection in West Berlin. Britain, France and the United States yesterday lodged formal protests with the Soviet Government reminding the East that, as a fellow signatory of the 1971 four-power agreement, they were responsible for ensuring unimpeded traffic along the transit routes. The head of the West German delegation refused to comment on the substance of today's discussions other than to say that

Spanish families' fear over jails

Madrid, Aug 6.—Relatives of Spanish political prisoners said today in a statement that they were concerned about their conditions and safety. They complained that prisoners were in danger of suffering the same fate as that of inmates at the Alcala de las Torres jail, near Madrid, who died in a fire last week.—Reuter.

Circus elephants stampede

Lignano Sabbiadoro, Italy, Aug 6.—A herd of circus elephants today stampeded through this Adriatic resort squashing parked cars, romping across a tennis court and breaking into the kitchen of an hotel. The 10 elephants, top bill at the Medrao Circus, deserted their trainers during a publicity parade. The trainers rounded up five of them but the remaining elephants stormed through the kitchen before being recaptured.—Reuter and AP.

OVERSEAS

America is accused by Greek politician of having organized the anti-Makarios plot

From Mario Modiano Athens, Aug 6

The explosive situation in Cyprus, the rising tension between Greece and Turkey, and the manifestation of keener Soviet interest in the crisis, are obscuring the prospects of a settlement in Geneva where the second phase of the Cyprus peace talks is due to open on Thursday.

The official explanation of his tour is that he is seeking the views of the leaders of the three countries and sharing with them the current American assessment of the situation. He was expected to meet Mr Karamanlis, the Prime Minister, and Mr Averoff, the Minister of Defence.

to Athens from the United States last weekend. He promptly accused Dr Kissinger of engineering the Atseos plot for the overthrow of Archbishop Makarios. He said: "I believe the Cyprus conspiracy will be Dr Kissinger's own Watergate."

Mr Nixon's men said to seek amnesty

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was that the people's business must go on. Dr Henry Kissinger, the Secretary of State, made the same point on leaving the meeting. He said that there was a bi-partisan foreign policy and that it would be continued.



Mr William Simon, the Treasury Secretary, announcing after a Cabinet meeting President Nixon's determination not to resign.

wish you hadn't said that", in a tone more of sorrow than of anger. A week ago Mr Nixon's staff were swearing that the President would escape defeat in the House of Representatives.

Representative John Anderson (of Illinois). He said Mr John Rhodes, the party leader in the House, would opt for impeachment this afternoon if Mr Nixon chose to stay on.

he had deliberately impeded the investigation of the Watergate break-in, using the Central Intelligence Agency as a smokescreen, caused a convulsion among his supporters.

UN tries to avert Famagusta clash

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The outskirts of the village were badly damaged by Turkish artillery fire. Most Greeks to whom I spoke had not slept for three nights. They were red-eyed and anxious about what was happening to the north of the range.

attempt to drive a security wedge between the opposing camps. The new crisis in Famagusta, known to thousands of holiday-makers in search of the sun, poses a serious threat to the fragile truce on the island. It has been set off by attempts by Turkish fighters in the walled city who have moved their positions forward in order to dominate the port.

United Nations forces on the island, is negotiating with both sides to place United Nations forces between them. His requests to the Turks to remove their new post at the northern end of the port have been rejected. The Turks also flatly refused to allow United Nations forces to take up positions that would constitute a buffer zone.

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Mr Gerald Ford, the Vice-President, who in all probability will be President before many weeks are out, attended the meeting and stated his own position. He had been given in advance the details of the statement and transcripts the President made yesterday and he decided that in future he would make no comments on the matter.

Mr Warren said that the President and the Vice-President had had no private meetings of any length recently. He also denied that any form of plea-bargaining was taking place. The details were similar to those made by Mr Spiro Agnew's spokesman immediately before he resigned, and are therefore treated with some scepticism.

Some of his closest advisers, according to the newspaper, told him that he had no hope of avoiding either impeachment or resignation. His senior speech writers, according to the same source, were instructed to prepare materials to be used in a possible speech of resignation.

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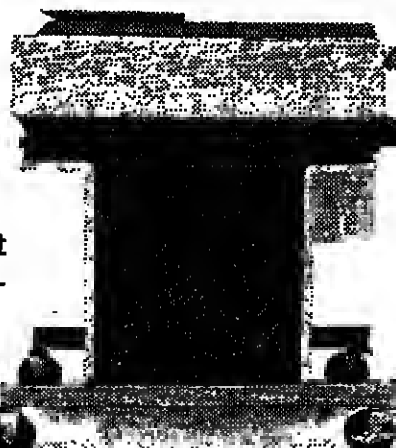
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'The lira? I don't give an expletive deleted'

From Frank Vogl U.S. Economics Correspondent Washington, Aug 6

anyone ever believed that Mr Nixon was giving anything about currency matters or was even interested in them, then their beliefs can now be firmly buried.

Even in the midst of a crisis the President showed not the slightest interest in monetary affairs, according to transcripts of his conversations, released now by the White House. "I don't care about it, nothing we can do about it", the President said when told that the British pound might be devalued.

Mr Nixon, who ended the international convertibility of the dollar and who presided over the Smithsonian currency realignment at the end of 1971, neither fully understood what it means to float a currency, nor was he concerned that the Smithsonian pact was falling to pieces.

Mr Haldeman, the President's chief assistant, tells his chief: "Did you get the report that the British floated the pound?" The President says: "No, I don't think so."

Mr Haldeman then asks, "That's devaluation?" His staff chief then incorrectly answers, "Yeah", and he adds, "Flanagan's (Peter Flanagan, executive director of the International Economic Policy Council in the White House) got a report on it here."

To this the President says, "I don't care about it, nothing we can do about it, nothing we can do about it."

Dr Kissinger cleared

From Our Own Correspondent Washington, Aug 6

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has unanimously cleared Dr Kissinger of any wrongdoing in the controversial telephone tapping programme for which the President's impeachment has been recommended.

A full report will be issued tomorrow, Senator J. William Fulbright, the chairman, announced today.

Senator Fulbright said the committee had not in whether the wiretapping justified. It concerned solely with Dr Kissinger's money.

Senator Humphrey said the committee was anxious to publish its verdict for other than Dr Kissinger's honour. "He is needed, he stays no matter what outcome of this impeachment business", he said.

World Population

On the 19th August to mark the opening of the world Population Conference in Bucharest The Times will publish a Special Report entitled "A World Enough?"

The following are among the wide range of reports planned for inclusion in this Special Report:

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OVERSEAS

Whitlam attack on Opposition as joint sitting passes Bill eating balanced constituencies

Herbert Mischel... The Electoral Bill before the House emphasized the importance of the Labour movement placed on one vote, one value. Mr Whitlam went on to say that the variation in size of the constituencies was a matter of principle and not of expediency.

S Africa's new press code angers journalists

From Our Correspondent Cape Town, Aug 6... The new self-disciplinary press code in South Africa, providing for fines of up to 10,000 rand (£5,250) on newspapers, will come into force in a few weeks.

The rising art of Mr Scales in his world of inflatables

There is nothing quite like inflatable plastic bags in the eyes of young London sculptor Terry Scales... Mr Scales and his friends see it principally as material for art, and specifically community art: art as something people do together rather than one does and the rest behold.

Mr Scales and his friends see all kinds of futures for plastic sheeting. As buildings, it offers soft structures that can be packed up and moved away, in tune with the theme of dematerialization of society.



How to win the early skirmishes of childhood and avoid full-scale war

Life for the toddler is black and white—the greys come later with experience. Instant gratification is the order of the day while patience is as yet unheard of, and judgment is still to come.

When this lack of judgment is combined with a strong will there will be frequent clashes between child and parent leading to "temper tantrums". These do not mean that he has an exceptionally bad temper but only that he cannot yet contain his sudden anger.

In a young child night terrors may simply be due to the fright caused by waking up in the dark and being alone. This may only need a night light and leaving the bedroom door partly open to effect a cure.

Whites defy curfew in Angolan protest

Bandas, Aug 6—Hundreds of whites in Luanda defied a curfew imposed by the Angolan government, and drove through the streets last night, shouting slogans and carrying flags.

Iraq accused of plot to take over part of Iran

From Our Correspondent Tehran, Aug 6... Official sources today announced the discovery of what they called a plot by the Iraq Baathist regime for taking over parts of Iran.

Lebanon returns Israel shelling in south

Sidon, Aug 6—Israel's heavy artillery shelled areas surrounding a number of villages in the Argaveh area of southern Lebanon today, setting plantations ablaze but causing no casualties, according to local sources.

Briton leads in junior chess

Manila, Aug 6—Tony Miles of Britain defeated Peter Mack of West Germany in 41 moves to take the lead with three points in the third round of the thirteenth world junior chess championship here today.

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Vietnam's main coastal road cut by communists

Sigon, Aug 6—South Vietnam's main north-south highway cut today on the central coast where government and communist forces were battling tanks and artillery. Thousands of refugees fled to the port.

Faisal-Sadat talks end with \$1,000m gift to Egypt

From Our Correspondent Cairo, Aug 6... President Sadat of Egypt and King Faisal of Saudi Arabia today held a final round of talks in Alexandria amid signs of growing close links between the two countries.

Hiroshima remembers atomic bomb

Hiroshima, August 6—In a solemn ceremony Hiroshima today observed the twenty-ninth anniversary of the American atomic bomb attack.

Even killed in rocket attack

Phnom Penh, Aug 6—Communist insurgents last night fired four rockets into Phnom Penh, killing seven people and injuring 10, the Khmer Rouge Command said today.

A nicer way of going to pot

Bowls full of all-grey, dead fragments of summer plants, with an aura chiefly of "must", that I had encountered in a few drawingrooms of ardent flowery women in the past, had put me off pot-pourri, until a few years ago I saw and smelled a different kind altogether.

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Cricket

Hold up fails to stop Hampshire

By John Woodcock

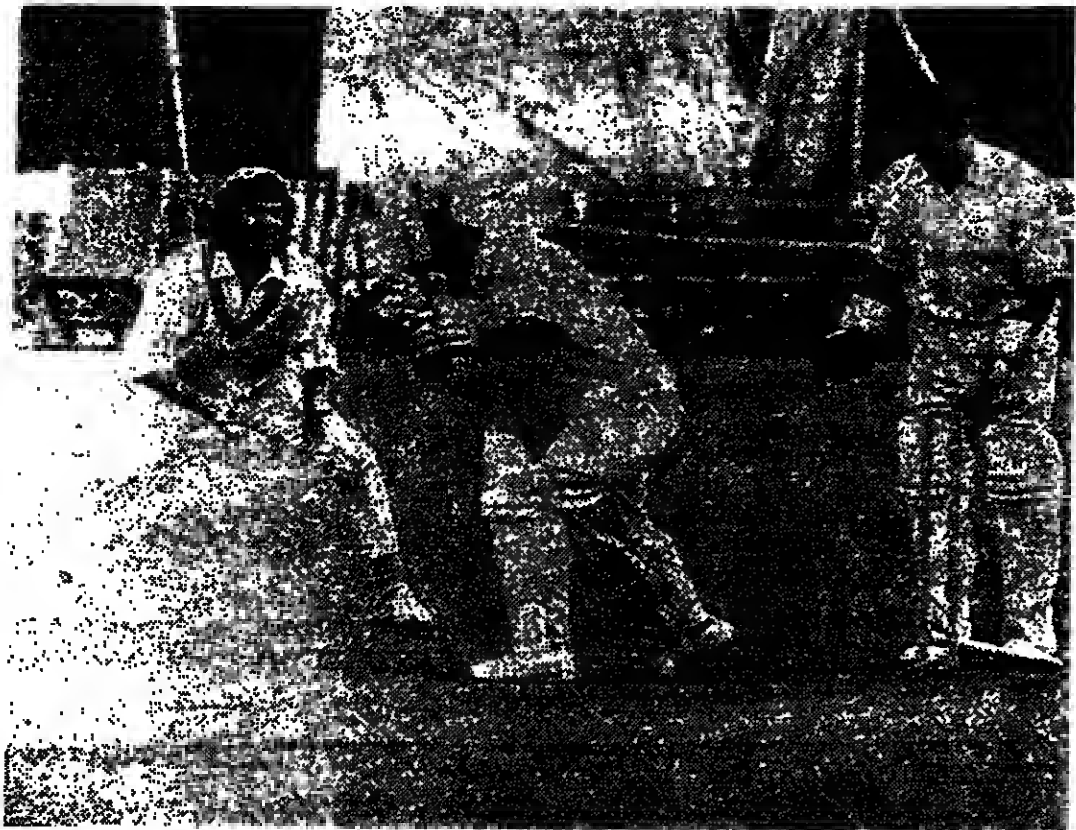
Cricket Correspondent
Hampshire (16pts) beat Warwickshire (5) by an innings and four runs.
With six effective wickets standing (Kantab was unfit to bat) Warwickshire yesterday needed another 37 runs to make Hampshire an hour to get a wicket. They were held up by the West Indians, Kallicharran and Bourne. For some time now Kallicharran has not been his usual sparkling self. He is in need of a break, I expect, after a surfeit of cricket, winter and summer. Yesterday Bourne, who bats better than he bowls to spite of being signed on to bowl better than he bats, managed the best strokes before being thrown out by Cowley from cover point, answering Kallicharran's call for a quick single.

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more with distinction over very long ago. It was a splendid win, Hampshire's fifth, by an innings this season and their ninth to 14 championship matches.
WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings: 255 (M. J. K. Smith 65).
Second Innings: 110 (M. J. K. Smith 65).
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Kent tumble again to spin bowling

Middlesex gained 17 points by beating Kent Canterbury yesterday. They won by an innings and 63 runs as Kent were spun out again for the second time in two spin bowlers, and Timms, the off-spin bowler, were again responsible for Kent's downfall. Timms picked up three for 55 and Edmonds four for 53 to give him match figures of 11 for 91.



Alan Balham, of Kent, watched by Middlessex players as he is bowled by Edmonds for Middlessex.

Yesterday, Sussex having been 93 for nine overnight, Marshall finished with 19 not out, and now has an average of 77 for his four innings this season.
Illingworth, who took six for 32 of 22 overs, and Stead, four for 26, exposed the inexperience of some of the younger Sussex players on a drying pitch.
The Derbyshire captain, Bolus hit his half century in 93 but then saw his side fall by three runs to score their second victory of the season in the game against Nottinghamshire at Ilkeston. The match was drawn.
Derbyshire were set to score 331 in five hours and at one stage it seemed that, despite a steady onslaught between Scarbrooke and Harvey-Walker, the target would be beyond them. Both scored half centuries but then the pace dropped and it was not until Bolus injected new life into the innings after tea that victory seemed possible.
Bolus hit out with splendid aggression and his partnership of 73 with Rowe gave his county a chance of victory. Rowe finally fell but Bolus was joined by Roberts, Taylor, another player willing to attack and to run for everything.
Derbyshire still needed 60 with 10 overs left. With four overs remaining Bolus was finally out, caught by Sobers attempting another big hit.
Derbyshire eventually fell three runs short and have to settle for six points. Nottinghamshire took eight. Earlier in the day Nottinghamshire had declared at 192 for nine.
Only 35 balls were bowled

Derbyshire v Notts
Derbyshire (1st Innings) 181 (M. J. K. Smith 65).
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Gloucester v Worcester
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Lancashire hopes go with Clive Lloyd

By Gerry Harrison

MANCHESTER: Lancashire (4 pts) drew with Yorkshire (7).
This evening's match, 1974 County Championship, Lancashire v Yorkshire, was a closely fought and exciting life to the closing hours as Clive Lloyd pitched his considerable skills against anything Yorkshire could throw at him.
His 105 in 116 minutes, every stroke made against the background of the shuffling cheers from the stands, brought back the sunshine as well as Lancashire's slim hopes of victory. He scored 218 in 140 minutes. While Lloyd graced the scene collecting his three sixes and eight fours and scoring 100, the Yorkshire batsmen were more apologetic than brutal. When he left, the contest departed with him. Fifty runs in seven and a half overs, he was out only for Lloyd in this form, and the game ground to a halt. Lancashire still 49 ahead.

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Minor Counties

A day for Gumboots as boats are borne gently on the breeze

By John Nicholls

Sailing conditions in the Solent were wonderful yesterday, with sunshine all the way and sufficient breeze to carry the yachts straight forward. Class one sailed their various courses. Jeremy Rogers's Gumboots, the winner of the recent One Ton Cup series, was her second win of the week to class two and John Preece's Bantock, the winner of the Class One Race, was first in class one, winning the Royal Yacht Squadron's Britannia Cup.
In the handicap classes, one to five class two is the easiest to follow, because, so far, the boat which has finished first has also won the race. This is because the boats that are winning are all One Tonners and racing each other on level terms. The other boats are theoretically faster than the One Tonners, are in fact slower and have finished well behind yesterday. The Irish boat, Golden Apple, sailed by the Olympic helmsman, Harold Cudmore, led all round the course and was several minutes ahead of Gumboots, only to be disqualified for being over the line at the start. She started on the wrong side of the line as did Ronald Ducker's Chantreaux on Monday, but where Chantreaux was given the benefit of the doubt, Golden Apple was not.

Class one had a far more interesting racing with two boats leading across the Solent which required careful judgment to combat the steering tide. Edward Turner retained the lead and was still second to Bantock at the West Ledge turning mark.
Prince Philip in Yeoman XIX was also among the leaders at the start, but Yeoman is even smaller than Morning Cloud and she, too, slipped back. Morning Cloud finished sixth on handicap, but Yeoman dropped right out of the running.

Opposition (Tony Morris, George Walker) and Preece (Sir Max Attkin) and the boat of the handicap class so far she has not finished. She judged her own position by this time well ahead of the cry and on the long run to the lighthouse round the Solent. More Opposition were over the line and she took third on corrected time.
Morning Cloud had dropped to fourth place at the lighthouse but took 22nd, but she was still second to Bantock at the West Ledge turning mark.

Southern Cross takes two practice races narrowly

Newport, Rhode Island, Aug. 3

The crew of Southern Cross, Australia's contender for the America's Cup, concentrated on sail evaluation today during hours of training on Rhode Island Sound. James Hardy, skipper of Southern Cross, also practised stuns against John Comeo on the other Australian yacht, Gretel.
The two yachts sailed two races each over a four-mile course in a moderate south-west wind. Southern Cross took them both by narrow margins.
Southern Cross is being prepared for a best-of-seven series with the French yacht, France, to determine which will challenge an American yacht for the cup in September. France was sailed today for the second time since her debut on Newport 10 days ago. After being out two hours she was returned to her dock to have one of her sail-heading winches repaired.

Mariner, one of the four American yachts in the running to defend the cup, was returned to Newport after a five-week stay at her builders' yard in Mamaroneck, New York.
" We ought to have another chance against Gretel," Turner said, as he supervised preparations for the yacht's first sail. Turner and his crew will have only nine sailing days before the final selection trials for America's Cup begin. The time will be spent in intensive practice; Turner is trying to fine up a few practice races for each race.
The final selection trial for Mariner and her three rivals, Courageous, Intrepid and Valiant, will be held on August 15. The foreign elimination series between the French and Australians begin on August 22. The American defender will meet the winner of the French-American Cup match, starting on September 10.

Third win put Edwards in sight of title

Christopher Edwards, a helm of Moega Bill, completed third win when he was first in the second round of the third round of the National 12 dinghy championships at Bovey Heath yesterday. Edwards, of Rameleigh Sailing Club, had already won the M. R. Cape Salver and Port of Plymouth Cup.

Yesterday, with conditions for sun-bathing but not for sailing, Edwards took the lead on the second round of the third round of the National 12 dinghy course. Strong tides made the race difficult for helmsmen.
THIRD RACE: Moega Bill (Edwards) beat M. R. Cape Salver (Arnold) and M. R. Cape Salver (Arnold).

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US win in Wayfarers

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A champion in decline and needing help

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Watching Dwan's decline has been particularly sad, for he has always felt he had a lot of potential. Since 1968 he has been under at least four coaches yet has not developed the tactical skill of allowing his opposition to drop him in the early stages of a race.

Occasionally he produced necessary grandstand finish, more often than not left it to the British crew to do something, the national coach to examine closely, assess it is not too late, assess it is not too late, assess it is not too late.

Milne putts well to beat the former champion

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SPORT

Racing
Belper looks set to add Brighton Challenge Cup to season's tally

By Jim Shaw
There promises to be an extremely strong market for Saturday's William Hill Gold Cup at Redcar...

Bel's Lad in the Corporation Handicap (4.45) and Kwang Su in the Romaine Stakes (5.15) are the other two horses likely to make Lester Piggott a little nearer to his century...

Ron Hutchinson, who rides Belper, may have another success for John Dunlop on Pelerine in the Newbury Handicap...

Redcar betting
Hills have dominated four co-favourites for their sponsored William Hill Gold Cup at Redcar on Saturday...

Large acceptance
There are 33 four-day acceptors for the first running of the Bloodstock and General Maiden Stakes at Redcar on Saturday...

Results at Brighton yesterday
2.0 (12.5) ALPHINGTON STAKES (2-y-o fillies)
2.0 (12.5) WORTHING HANDICAP
2.0 (12.5) STANMER HANDICAP (E598: 7f)

2.0 (12.5) BRIGHTON CHALLENGE CUP (Handicap: £1,512: 11m)
2.0 (12.5) LINES STAKES (E760: 1m)
2.0 (12.5) TOWN HALL HANDICAP (E822: 11m)

2.0 (12.5) BRASSCOCK STAKES (3-y-o: E594: 6f)
2.0 (12.5) DOWN STAKES (E702: 3f)
2.0 (12.5) BRIGHTON HANDICAP (E1,170: 11m)

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Quizair (M. Thomas) races home to victory from Happy Victorious (right) and Welsh Dragon.

A Tuesday's child who works for its living

By Brough Scott
It is quite difficult to find anyone really happy in his work these days. So even if it was horse racing...

Thomas lost his wisp a furlong and a half out and had in due course a very energetic ride in the final stages. But he cannot have spent as much energy as his fellow Welshman, Quizair in the Brighton Handicap yesterday...

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Kalpour should hold off overseas challengers

From Pierre Guillot
French Racing Correspondent
Deauville, Aug 6
Last year's winner, Kublal, is one of three Irish representatives in the Prix Georges Courtois, the European Grand Prix for amateur riders at Deauville tomorrow...

PRIX GEORGES COURTOIS (E3,180: 1m 5f 110yd)
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Barker rides like an old hand on Mandemon

Mandemon made his record four wins in a row in the Rosedale Handicap at Redcar yesterday. Leading two furlongs from home, he was eventually ridden to victory by Eric Cousins's jockey, Richard Barker...

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Good timing by Smith encourages Britain

From Pamela Macgregor-Morris
Dublin, Aug 6
Harvey Smith and Salvador were early winners for Britain here this afternoon, when they won the Equus Stakes, judged on time in the first round...

The Hunter judge, which is the most important part of the show, started in the rain but an early start and it was an education to see the thoroughbred stars...

Tennis RAF recover to keep Services title

The Royal Air Force, after being behind overnight, came back to win all three doubles against the Army and the Navy in the Services tennis championships...

Brighton programme

Table listing Brighton racing programmes including 2.0 BEACH STAKES, 2.30 STANMER HANDICAP, 3.0 BRIGHTON CHALLENGE CUP, 3.30 LINES STAKES, 4.0 TOWN HALL HANDICAP, 4.30 BRASSCOCK STAKES, 4.30 DOWN STAKES, 5.0 BRIGHTON HANDICAP, 5.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 6.0 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 6.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 7.0 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 7.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 8.0 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 8.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 9.0 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 9.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 10.0 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 10.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 11.0 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 11.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 12.0 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 12.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 13.0 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 13.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 14.0 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 14.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 15.0 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 15.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 16.0 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 16.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 17.0 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 17.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 18.0 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 18.30 WELSH DRAGON HANDICAP, 19.0 WELSH 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Dr Barnardo, about 1890, and Thomas Marks



Growing up destitute in London

At the new extension of the National Portrait Gallery in Nash Terrace is the fascinating and disturbing exhibition The Camera and Dr Barnardo. The main room of the exhibition displays hundreds of "admission photographs"—a very early example of photographic documentation—of the boys and girls admitted to the Barnardo homes between 1874 and 1905.

destitute children sleeping in "lairs" they were often accompanied by a constable. The before-and-after photographs were abandoned after Barnardo had been accused of deception. The gist of this was that he had created a falsity by dressing boys up in rags they had never worn themselves, or giving a boy, for instance, a boot-black's equipment to a picture where in fact he had never been a boot-black, and that the before-and-after pictures were in reality taken on the same day.

Historical study of Liberalism

Party Lines BBC 1

It is 50 years since the general election of 1924 delivered the death blow to the Liberal Party of Gladstone, Asquith and Lloyd-George, and one of the more persistently mournful political sounds of the last half-century has been the unheeded call of Liberal aspirants to power across the wilderness that opened up between them and the electorate to that year.

to "conquer" unemployment; then Clement Davies declaring that the Liberals were going in the election of 1950 stronger than at any time in the previous 20 years, modifying that a year later to the twinkling assertion that what they lacked in numbers they made up in quality; best of all (also used by William Hardcastle in his 1945 documentary last week) Sir Archibald Sinclair going solemnly before the newsreel cameras on the eve of the greatest Labour landslide in history and professing to have detected (he did not say how) the steady tramp, nay, stampede, of reviving Liberalism.

Grimond gave the party back its intellectual respectability and a healthy shove to the left; Mr Thorpe showed it how to organize itself and to think less in terms of permanent protest than of actual power; six million voters last February made up the highest Liberal vote of all time, even if the 15 seats they brought with them seemed mockingly to echo the quixotic theme. The latest polls suggest that that support is holding firm: it is the healthiest sign in our currently abused democracy.

London Sinfonietta Round House/Radio 3

Paul Griffiths
Fresh from subtle triumphs with brass bands on Saturday, Elgar Howarth conducted the late From Monday with equal success. Schoenberg's Chamber Symphony No. 1 was eased smoothly from one well-judged tempo to another; there was drive to the performance, but no rush. The all-important weighing of parts was generally good and mobile, although the strings tended to be at a disadvantage in this ball, which is by no means an ideal location for concert. But above all, these London Sinfonietta players have

acquainted themselves with the music: they can give an attention to phrasing often missed in Schoenberg performances, and the piece sounds as it should, like chamber music. It was followed by Lutyens's And Suddenly It's Evening, a work that sets four Quasimodo poems in English translations which surely cannot be adequate. The piece is further handicapped by an unbalanced and unbalancing conflict between the lyrical writing for tenor (here Philip Langridge) and the often severely formal instrumental frames; and on top of the structure or matter of the texts calls for these tricky canons and palindromes. Lutyens would have been better represented by one of the instrumental pieces revived in the

last English Bach Festival, rather than by this lesser composition, which is already available in a commercial recording. Berio, too, has produced better things than Rectal 1, his stream-of-consciousness monologue for tenor. For the most part she remarks at one point, "is accumulation"; and as she turns about the stage, spinning out fragments of song and opera, it seems that the slag heap is about to slide. The singer is destroyed by the roles she has to assume, destroyed, the work suggests, by her audience's rapacity for emotional experience by proxy. But in any such critical attitude Rectal 1 reflects on itself: what we were applauding was a stunning performance.

Cantores in Ecclesia St Augustine's

Alan Blyth
Michael Howard, Monday's conductor, redeemed a pretentious, not consistently helpful programme note ("systematic cyclic evolution", "sonic trans-luence") by his idiomatic and sensitive direction of three sixteenth century choral pieces, all finely heard in St Augustine's. Maids Vale, this year's welcome new Prom venue. Most interesting of the three, because it was rarest, was Jacob Handl's Mass, entitled Undique flammis Olosum scilicet arsit for reasons too lengthy to explain here and mainly irrelevant to the music.

setting of the familiar text, respectively more to the mood of each section than to individual verbal pointing, although the repetition of the words "Qui tollis" in the Agnus Dei is an exception to that. Antiphony is used intelligently; so are rhythmic devices such as syncopation of which the Hosanna was a particularly exciting example. Sometimes, as at the start of the Credo, the music seems to flow too easily without sufficient change in character, but then suddenly at "et incarnatus est" the composer brings all the voices together in a rapt enunciation of that central episode. Palestrina's more familiar Stabat Mater may seem more conventional in layout when compared with the Handl, but its treatment of the lovely poem remains among the most moving of any composer's, especially when it is sung, as it was

on Moody, with such a responsiveness to pace, dynamics and colouring. Mr Howard's choir excels in its elevated soprano tone and its rich basses. In between there seemed, in the Palestrina at least, too fruity a male alto sound, which was inclined to draw the lighter tenor line. Perhaps the singers were at their most eloquent of all in the opening work. Byrd's music entirely free from show and sung with an unassuming command. The vocal contributions were interspersed with canons and canons played by the Philip Jones Brass Ensemble. Their first group, by Flemish and French composers, was all too similar in character, but in the second a jolly Canon by Crequillon and a racy Salterello by Vecchi brought a welcome break in the rather insistent solemnity of the programme.

Johaar Mosaval to teach

The Royal Ballet principal dancer, Johaar Mosaval, will be

leaving the company at the end of the present season. Mosaval will then take the newly inaugurated RAD New Career Training Course, a four-month

intensive course designed to train professional dancers to teach. He has been given a grant for the course by the Dancers Resettlement Fund.

Some of the notices in this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

Dance Theatre of Harlem Sadler's Wells

John Percival

For Agon, the central work on the opening programme at the Wells on Monday, the dancers of this attractive young company have an immense advantage over any of the European companies who have taken it into their repertory, namely the fact that they come from New York. Although Stravinsky's music is modelled on seventeenth-century French dances and Balanchine's choreography is entirely without explicit drama, Agon has always seemed a distillation of that city's life style: tough and elegant, workmanlike and proud.



Derek Williams and Lydia Abarca

These twentieth century American classic ballets suit the dancers excellently. Watching them, I was unaware of the colour of their skins: they were just people dancing in a strong, elegantly schooled way. In the razzmatazz of the Corsair pas de deux, however, with its roots in nineteenth-century European romanticism, I found myself conscious of the fact that the rules were being danced by Negroes. Not that there is much wrong within the limits of Karel Skook's decidedly flashy staging of the piece, with the way Laura Brown and Paul Russell dance it. Flamboyant lifts and catches in the partnering prove spectacular, and her fouettés are impressively fast, as are his tours en l'air. The remaining work is Douglas, a piece of spoof exoticism, supposedly a cross between Hindu and African, with choreography and costumes by Geoffrey Holder to music by

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Andrew Faulds

Honesty will be the best policy for a new Government

The House is up, and the odds are that our "hung" Parliament will not meet again. But much as we politicians relish the excitement of electioneering and the chance of chatting up housewives over the garden gate, the public is snoot-drunk with politics this year. It is the public which suffers the sousing and the touting of the candidates and their leaflets, the pasting-up of posters and the mania of the media. Last February, on doorstep and in pub, there was constant complaint about too much television coverage. The many geni of the box should have their electoral tackle cut. But Heaven above perhaps can spare us the rerun slanging matches of those too loquacious leaders. A stint on the doors for them to get the "real feel" and a periodic absence from the screen would benefit both them and us. Otherwise boredom will set in early.

And must we really be condemned to the doldrums of coalition? If politicians in their separate parties cannot read the signs and chart the course, why should a mixed bunch of them box the compass better? What guidance could the Conservatives offer to see us safely through the shoals of this autumn and the perils of next year? The "reverse engines" of 1970-74 cannot inspire confidence in passengers or crew. Uoble Seamus Heath banded that stately ship, the Tory Party, so maladroitly on its voyage around the options that he has left it beled and sinking. No manifesto tarred by Ted can caulk it. As a seafaring nation we should turn our backs—and we shall—at the sad sight of an old ship as she slides and slides into the depths of electoral dismissal.

And the Liberals? To change the figure, their tatty touring troupe will not fill the bill. Neither their leader, given the appearance and seedy style of an Edwardian actor-maogger, nor the bluff bombast of stout Sir Cyril, nor Pistol Pardo, nor young Prince Steele (preen themselves as they may) can prise the crown from off the pate political. And their policies? A variorum of readings adapted to the audience of the moment.

The Prime Minister is right to have rejected coalition categorically. The nationalist and Liberal vote last February was a gesture of frustration; a fingers-up at both parties; an assertion of an individual say in both a personal and regional sense. It was not a vote for coalition policies. For no such tablets lie on Sioal. Coalition is conjured up by those whose ambition can only be brought to political fulfilment by such a conjunction. And, of course, by those Conservatives who have the cunning to realize that only a coalition can give the Tories time to recover and regather.

The cobbled compromises of policy could only evoke profound disagreements in the main bodies of the two parties. And when collapse came, what then? Our democratic and parliamentary life and institutions would be up for auction to the wilder bidders at the hustings. Out of doubt and disillusion only a regime at one of the extremes could benefit. Coalition is a prescription for national disaster.

What, then, must we do to be saved? I believe we need a new tone in our political life. The accepted thinking is that politicians must not be too blunt. Harsh realities must be cooed so that they do not hit home with a thump. Unpleasant facts can be phrased to take the edge off. Frankness loses votes, so wrap it up. The

Now it is not whether Mr Nixon will go but when and how

Washington, Aug 6 Now it is only the manner of Mr Richard Nixon going that concerns the men of power here. Even Wall Street leapt in anticipation. The President's pathetic baring last night of his cover-up role and the two years of lies that followed—of which he was explicitly accused by both Judiciary Committee and citizens of the grand jury—made his conviction at a Senate trial seem a foregone conclusion.

So far he himself ascribes that outcome only to the House of Representatives, but all the signs are that the roof has fallen in and Senators have had enough of his seemingly inexhaustible supply of Watergate bombabells. Mr Nixon's choices are to resign, and retain a trace of dignity or to fight on at a trial, with an outside hope of acquittal. Stepping down temporarily would no longer be tolerated. It is said that last weekend he toyed with the idea of resignation, but ruled it out temporarily, on the ground that it would be a bad "precedent" for future Presidents.

What he will actually do is very much an open question. Since he first tried to play down Watergate two years ago, his record of mendacity—filling volumes with news conferences, broadcasts, written statements—is such that nothing can be ruled out.

What Congressman Charles Wiggins, Mr Nixon's betrayed defender who was near to tears last night, called the "orderly transition of power" to Gerald Ford could most swiftly be accomplished through resignation. But this would need prior arrangements to preserve Mr Nixon from judicial retribution. Rumours abounded today in Congress that Republicans were being forced by the Democratic leadership to sponsor their

own Bill granting the President amnesty from future legal pursuit. Simple arrangements with the special prosecutor would not be enough to put an ex-President beyond the reach of the courts. But if Mr Nixon demands trial, as is his right, then as Mr Wiggins (who is Mr Nixon's "MP" and was the most articulate fighter against impeachment) puts it: "The magnificent career of public service of Richard Nixon must be terminated involuntarily."

The impeachment process could be precipitated by Mr Nixon's confession. The House leadership could bring forward its debate scheduled for August 19, or at least try shortening it, sure now of a massive majority. Another Republican, Congressman Robert McClory, reckons that only about 25 to 30 of the 435 Representatives will stay with the President.

Such precipitancy could have been part of Mr Nixon's intent in making what is tantamount to the limited plea of guilty (without the bargain) concluded by all but his most stalwart co-conspirators.

Mr Nixon presumably meant to try to help himself in a desperate situation, and one guess here is that he wanted the truth of at least three of the 64 tapes be withheld for so long to come out and perhaps be dissipated before he gets to trial by the Senate.

But, as has happened so often, Mr Nixon is one step behind Mr John Dean. The President's principal excuse—whose testimony against Mr Nixon is now resoundingly vindicated—told Judge Sirica last Friday that "to say sorry is not enough". For withholding the truth of his own cover-up orders from country, Congress, staff and counsel comes too late, by at least a year. Another Washington hypothesis is that Mr James St Clair, the President's defence

counsel, is responsible for forcing the President into the open with a threat to resign. Mr St Clair had already forfeited much of his earlier reputation at the Bar by agreeing to argue the case before the courts and impeachment committee without having the confidence of his client. However, a further common reaction here—again based on past experience of being misled—is to wonder how much worse the information can be on the remaining 61 tapes if Mr Nixon felt he had to get these three new transcripts before the public.

It is important to realize that Mr Nixon has gutted his 15-month-old defence that he had been both unaware and unwilling to believe until March, 1973, that his top men were part of the cover-up. He has also managed to raise suspicion that he knew something about the planning of the Watergate break-in by being immediately familiar with the names of Mr Liddy and Mr Hunt, who were not indicted until months after the latest recordings were made.

This all seems plausible enough—Mr Nixon wanted to protect his chances of reelection. But by admitting perpetration of a misleading impression he has now, in effect, pleaded guilty to obstructing justice. Even so he tries to argue that, all things considered, "the record in its entirety does not justify the extreme step of impeachment and removal of a President."

It seems that as a President Mr Nixon is almost disembodied. His contorted claim that, whatever he ordered and however he conspired, it all came out right in the end because the "guilty" as he calls them, were prosecuted, simply will not wash. The Nixon Presidency is dying with a whimper.

Fred Emery

Ceylon suffering the effects of a family squabble

Colombo Ceylon is passing through a period of even more than usually Byzantine political intrigue. Mrs Srimavo Bandaranaike's government has been trading allegations of coups and counter-coups with the opposition United National Party and a quarrel has broken out within the Prime Minister's own politically-powerful family.

Dark whisperings of an alleged plot by Maoist revolutionaries to complete by stealth what youthful insurgents failed to do openly in 1971 are masked by rumours of a Chile-type threat to the left-oriented government from disgraced army officers. Through it all runs the theme of family discord.

Speculation here, of which little appears in radio and press cowed and controlled by the government, centres on the controversial figure of Mr Kumar Rupasinghe, Mrs Bandaranaike's son-in-law, who emerged as a political force after marrying her 31-year-old elder daughter, Sunetra, in 1972.

The Rupasinghes met in Britain where she was at Oxford and was at the London School of Economics. Their support for the 1971 insurgents is said to have gone well beyond youthful sympathy for fashionable left-wing causes. Mr Rupasinghe, it is alleged, was engaged (among other things) in food-raising in London for the rebels.

After getting married, with what is believed to have been Mrs Bandaranaike's reluctant blessing, the couple embarked without much fanfare on their political life. Mr Rupasinghe was made director of a body called the National Youth Service Council which is engaged in setting up community-style collective farms designed to attract the young unemployed.

Mrs Rupasinghe is her mother's "coordinating secretary" a position which, according to some reports, she wields considerable power, controlling access to the Prime Minister and supervising surveillance of political opposition in the press and elsewhere. Other sources say that Mrs Bandaranaike simply wants her daughter in a position where she can keep an eye on her.

The Rupasinghes also publish a Sinhala-language weekly called Janavegaya (Peoples Force) which has acquired a reputation as the semi-official organ of Mrs Bandaranaike's Sri Lanka Freedom Party. The paper has advocated lenient treatment of those arrested in the 1971 insurgency and frequently attacks "reactionary elements" in the Government.

The "Janavegaya" group—as the Rupasinghes and those in the government sympathetic to them are usually referred to—is widely alleged to be infiltrating its supporters, among them former insurgents, into the Civil Service, the government-controlled press and radio, the army, and the police. Firm evidence, however, is hard to come by.

Earlier this year Mr J. R. Jayewardene, the UNP leader,

assuced the Rupasinghes in the National Assembly of "prolating collective farms" and "released insurgents who their friends" and of using "volunteers in civilian clothes to break up opposition meetings. Their evasions are to take over the government."

Mrs Bandaranaike turned down an opposition request that the role of the Rupasinghes should be made the subject of an inquiry by a parliamentary select committee. Mr Jayewardene then produced documents purporting to corroborate allegations, but the Prime Minister pronounced these "the charges after having been examined by a hand-picked expert."

What is undoubtedly true among all the rumours is that the Rupasinghes are considered enough of a threat to her more conservative faction of ideologically heterogeneous SLFP. Criticism of Rupasinghe and of their paper's usurpation of the role of official SLFP organ was openly voiced at a recent meeting of the party's working committee.

This moderate group thrown its weight behind Anura Bandaranaike, the Prime Minister's 24-year-old son, who does not share the radical views of his sister or her husband. A potential rival for the position. As chairman of the SLFP youth wing he comes directly with Mr Rupasinghe's support of the island's jobs and embittered young.

Also caught up in this family quarrel is the younger of Mrs Bandaranaike's two daughters, Chandrika. She is one of the directors of the Land Reclamation Commission, a body enjoying great powers of patronage through the redistribution formerly privately-owned land. There are conflicting reports about where her sympathies lie.

A not implausible scenario sees Mr Rupasinghe hiding in time until the next explosion of youthful revolt; thereupon steps forth as the rebels' champion, with little to fear from a discredited opponent and the elderly armchair Marxist of the SLFP's small Trotskyite and communist coalition partners.

The only difficulty with this theory is that it assumes that Mrs Rupasinghe is a husband's dupe, which is likely, or that she is a leaver, with him against her mother and her brother, wards whom the Prime Minister leans. While not impossible, it seems somewhat improbable that the Ceylonese political come where family ties are a prominent element.

Michael Horns

"Trevor" by John Bowen: an article on July 13, 1974. But stated that they had been described to him as "splattered by four-letter words and blasphemies" and as "raining" a great deal of red allusion to what the girls in bed? We accept that description was inaccurate and we are glad to apologize to Mr Bowen for the embarrassment he may be suffering.



Home Office computer tries to predict an offender's chances of reconviction 'Scorecard' system for prisoners seeking parole

Methods of predicting whether a prisoner is likely to be convicted again if released on parole are being analysed by the Home Office Research Unit as part of its general report on the parole system due to be published next year. The decision whether or not to release a prisoner on parole depends on judgments made by local review committees or by the Parole Board itself. Now, each of the 10,000 people eligible for parole each year is being given a prediction score, which is taken into account when other information about the individual is assessed. Prediction scores are based on points given for 15 separate factors which are reckoned to influence the chances of reconviction. The lower the total, the less probability there is of reconviction, and the more acceptable the candidate seems to be for parole.

Use of the prediction scores also helped to overcome teething troubles in the working of the parole system. The tendency of local review committees to cream off for parole the most eligible people in each prison meant that those with a low risk of reconviction stood a better chance of selection in more secure establishments than in, say, open ones. A change was made so that all cases judged to have a low risk of reconviction were referred to the Parole Board, notwithstanding a recommendation against parole by a local review committee. The result is that an extra 150 people a year, filtered through to the board with the help of the prediction scores, are being granted parole. Further research by the unit showed the extent to which the

board was likely to accept the cases. The Criminal Justice Act recommendations of local review committees in certain 1972 enabled parole to be granted in those sort of cases without the need to refer them to the board. This means that since that board's load has lightened in this respect it has more time to consider cases of prisoners thought to have a greater risk of reconviction. Some of the latest research by the unit has examined the probable effects of releasing more people eligible for parole. At present, about 40 per cent of prisoners are granted parole at some time during their sentences. Preliminary indications are that an increase in the parole rate of 10-20 per cent would likely result in only a small increase in the failure rate last year, 7.54 per cent. Parolees were recalled to prison on licence. The unit's research, however, that the effect of raising the parole rate to further study, in particular gravity of the additional failures. So far, analysis of the effect of parole on reconviction suggests that parole has marked short-term effect offending during the first period and a smaller effect on criminal behaviour during the two years following release. This requires more examination, however. Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent

The Times Diary A good word to say for Nixon

I managed to find somebody in London yesterday who remains a defender of President Nixon. He is Victor Reisel, the veteran American industrial correspondent who lost his sight when acid was thrown in his face by somebody who wished to deter him from pursuing his investigations into corruption in a trade union. A guest at the Press Club in London, Reisel discussed the latest instalment of the debacle that is Nixon's Presidency. "I don't think," he said, "that compared with the amorality across the world, the basic crimes committed should have warranted this. The scandal would seem inconsiderable in a historical perspective. Reisel and his wife have come to London from Poland and Hungary. The people there, he said, were upset about Watergate developments and anxious to see a continuity of United States policy, regarding Nixon as an architect of détente. Reisel sees the Watergate affair as part of America's

Reisel still appears regularly on television, and writes a column, despite his blindness, which seems to be receding. He can now see the very broad outline of things, and when he returns to the United States he will have a further operation, which might improve his sight further. With him at the Press Club was Jack Cannon, the Information Officer at the United States Embassy in London. This has been a difficult post to fill since the Watergate saga began but Cannon explained: "I have a modus operandi with the press. I don't ask them questions and they don't ask me questions."

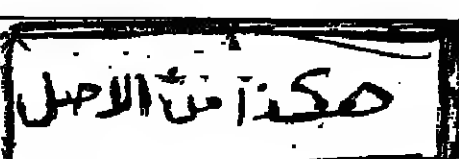
Flowers The Royal Horticultural Society's summer show provided a flamboyant antidote to the prevailing gloom yesterday, especially for those whose overriding interests are fuchsias, begonias and gladioli. The old ball in Vincent Square was given over to the British Fuchsia Society, while the begonia fanciers and gladioli breeders had their national competitions in the new ball in Greycoat Street. The fuchsia people said they did not have as much on show as in some years. They blamed the weather rather than inflation. Those who look to their gardens for ecological or economic survival should not scorn the flowery fuchsia. Saunders' stand boasted recipes for

fuchsia jam and fuchsia wine, made from the seed pods. In the second ball begonia-lovers were discussing soils. "Even the experts get it wrong," grumbled one. "I bought a lot of Blackmore and Langdon's loam, but I got stunted growth. I couldn't seem to do a thing with it." Another recommended John Innes No 2, but admitted there was a shortage of reliable supplies. Three men with rustic accents and smart suits were discussing current events between exhibitions of foliage plants staged by Regent's Park and Reading University. The talk was of white fuchsias and blight. "If you are going to take trouble in your garden and grow anything that's really worth coming to look at, you can't forget the cares of the world. You'll have more than all the worry you need just round your own back door."

Panda vote So where are the two pandas that the Chinese promised to London Zoo when Edward Heath visited China earlier this summer? An item in this week's Sunday Express suggested that the British Government were deliberately delaying their arrival, by not sending RAF planes to collect them, because of fears that they might prove

What was preferable about my slump, Nixon, was that we didn't know it was going to happen... The zoo, however, say they understand that the pandas are not quite ready yet. "You can't just pick a couple of pandas up and send them out at any old time," said a spokesman. "They have to be the right age, for instance, and to be properly prepared. We don't even know which pair they're going to send us, or what their names are. We aren't ready ourselves to receive them yet." The spokesman said the best guess was that they would arrive late in September. Just in time to pick up the panda vote for Heath in an October election.

Triology I am two thirds of the way through Alan Ayckbourn's clever trilogy The Norman Conquests at the Globe Theatre. The plays all deal with the same events of a single short weekend, each one revealing what happens in a different part of the house or garden. The first two contain many funny scenes and the concept





FINISHED

Mr Nixon is finished. There can no longer be any doubt about that after his extraordinary statement on Monday night. In effect he has admitted to the first article of impeachment passed recently by the House Judiciary Committee. This referred to the Watergate break-in and accused him of using the powers of his high office "to delay, impede, and obstruct the investigation of such unlawful entry, to cover up, conceal and protect those responsible and to conceal the existence and scope of the unlawful covert activities". On Monday he admitted the charge by implication, and that he had lied to the country and even to his own lawyers. He thus finally removed any lingering doubt about his guilt and cut the ground from beneath the feet of his defenders.

His only remaining line of defence is that if these offences are "looked at in perspective" they do not justify impeachment. What then do they justify? Some sort of reprimand followed by business as usual? And if he has now belatedly admitted to the first article of impeachment what credence can be given to his statements on the other articles? Try as one may it is now impossible to imagine any way in which Mr Nixon could regain the authority that the presidency requires. It is not even as if the offences were committed for reasons of state, though the burglary of Dr Ellsberg's psychiatrist's office might come into that category. Most of the accusations relate to

the abuse of presidential power in order to re-elect Mr Nixon and to do down his political opponents. Therein lies the special squalor of the whole affair.

The only question now is the manner of Mr Nixon's going. He is clearly considering resignation, and he must be giving some thought to ways of avoiding criminal or civil proceedings against him. It is not easy for him to do this. Like Mr Agnew, he might plead guilty to lesser offences in order to avoid a prolonged trial on more serious charges, but he would have to come to an arrangement with Mr Jaworski, the special prosecutor, who would then have to consider the position of other people in the case, some of whom have already been sentenced. It would cause a lot of ill-feeling if Mr Nixon came off more lightly than those under him. And anything that looked like deflating the course of justice would be a singularly inappropriate denouement to proceedings undertaken in order to vindicate the rule of law.

Yet there is a widespread feeling that the loss of the presidency is a major punishment in itself, and that the legal prosecution of Mr Nixon is not the main purpose of the impeachment proceedings. There are, in fact, two main purposes. One is to remove a president who has misused the powers of his office and thereby lost the authority to conduct the affairs of state. The other is to assert the rule of law. It will be up to those who administer the law to decide whether the latter purpose is sufficiently achieved by impeach-

ment or whether it needs to be pursued further through the courts.

Meanwhile the ill effects of the present situation are becoming increasingly obvious. The sudden rise in the stock market after Monday's statement presumably reflects a surge of optimism at the prospect that Mr Nixon's presidency is nearly over. It is easy to understand. Economic policy has been paralysed by disagreements among different departments which only the president can resolve, yet Mr Nixon's attitude and order of priorities is indicated by his reported remark: "I don't care (a expletive deleted) about the lira." As Mr Reuss, the distinguished Democratic economist said on Monday, the country is confronted with economic dangers equal to those of war while the White House is totally preoccupied with impeachment.

The need for the president's resignation or for a very quick disposal of the impeachment proceedings is therefore more urgent than ever. This is now being realized by more and more members of the Congress, where Mr Nixon's support is dwindling even faster. The final blow to any lingering hopes of an acquittal by the Senate could probably now be given by Senator Goldwater, whose voice would swing the last few votes against the President. But Mr Nixon himself should also consider that the only way he can salvage some moral credit for himself is to show by resigning that he is capable of putting the interests of the Republic above his struggle for survival.

MEDICAL MILITANCY

It is only six weeks now until the special Halsbury inquiry into nurses' pay is due to report. Most of the workers who will be affected, and the bodies representing them, have agreed by now to give up industrial action on the wards until they see what is to be offered. But some radiographers are continuing their selective strikes and even extending them, and Monday's strike by some nurses in Birmingham may be imitated. The nurses acted against the policy of their union, but the radiographers have the support of the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs.

Last week the ASTMS radiographers agreed to suspend their action on condition that they were given an indication of what the report would bring. Lord Halsbury replied through Mrs Castle that an advance report could hardly be ready before the main one. He is not at this stage inquiring directly into radiographers' pay, but the award for nurses is to be used as a basis for interim awards to radiographers, physiotherapists, dieticians and other categories whose

pay has traditionally been closely linked to that of nurses. All these awards will be back-dated to May 23. A report more particularly examining the position of the other professions will follow, perhaps in November.

Lord Halsbury is used to having his awards approached with suspicion by their recipients. His review body on doctors' pay was set up eight years ago when aggrieved doctors had lost confidence in the independence of the existing negotiating machinery. His own independence has been called into question whenever the doctors are dissatisfied with an award. This year's report was drawn up within the restrictions of Phase Three, but it indicated clearly that without statutory constraints it would have been very different. The award to the nurses will be subject to no such limitations.

In any industry it is pointless and uncoincidental to carry on with a strike while awaiting a report from an arbitrator. In hospitals it also carries the risk of distressing or endangering patients, even when efforts are made to restrict the effects of

the action to less urgent cases. Although the pretext is so much feeble, the Birmingham strike seems to have had less regard to the well-being of the patients than the series of carefully safeguarded walkouts which gained the nurses so much public support in April and May. When volunteers have to be called in to man the wards, then it is they who appear in an heroic light.

There is a certain amount of union rivalry in all this. Unions like ASTMS have been seeking to align adherents from traditionally less combative bodies like the Royal College of Nursing and the Society of Radiographers. The Birmingham incident shows how workers new to the thrills of militancy may be bad judges of how to use it, and disinclined to accept the advice of their own union. Nurses and allied staff are never likely to return to the attitudes of meek self-sacrifice which used to prevail. But the special public regard in which they are held could easily be dissipated by irresponsible action, and since it is their greatest bargaining asset they should be careful not to put it at risk.

A POINTLESS WAR GOES ON

For the third night running the Cambodian Khmer Rouge forces have been lobbing rockets into the capital Phnom Penh. Those killed or wounded can rarely be combatants. There can be little military advantage in this action. It is no more likely now to force an evacuation of the capital than when the shelling was heavier eighteen months ago. At that time the Khmer Rouge enjoyed support from the North Vietnamese which they have now mostly lost. But the pointless war goes on in a country where there is no evidence of strong popular commitment to either side. Little divides them probably but an inflated ideological ardour. Four years of fighting have crippled the country. Yet the efforts of outside powers to bring peace to Cambodia have not yet succeeded.

American distaste for the war has grown ever since the 1973 settlement in Vietnam. If Laos can pick its way gingerly towards a coalition government so could Cambodia. Last month American pressure on President Lon Nol finally brought him to the point

of agreeing to peace talks. But the Khmer Rouge refused, setting out their reasons last week in jargon that amounted to no more than the charge that the Phnom Penh Government were lackeys of the Americans and that they themselves were the only true nationalist force commanding general support. In so far as this expresses a sense of their own independence from outside influence it is justified. But the very assertion of this independence seems now to be prolonging the war.

Two years ago growing independence on the part of the Khmer Rouge of their patrons in Hanoi led to a cooling of relations. In the still tense atmosphere that followed on the Vietnam settlement in 1973 the North Vietnamese did not want to see the overthrow of the Lon Nol government by communist forces which were then believed to be under their thumb and whose military success would be credited to their direction. Such assumptions in Washington might have called down retaliation even as severe as a renewal of the bombing North Vietnam had suffered in the weeks immediately

preceding the Vietnam settlement. So for these contradictory reasons Hanoi's support for the Khmer Rouge tailed off. For many months past the North Vietnamese have certainly been ready to welcome peace talks and would be happy with a coalition government in Phnom Penh.

So, probably, would the Chinese, realizing as they must that Prince Sihanouk has proved a wasting asset. But for them the independence of the Khmer Rouge from the North Vietnamese is to be welcomed and encouraged. China does not want to see Cambodia and Laos with governments answerable to Hanoi. So the Chinese were ready to welcome the Khmer Rouge leader, Mr Khieu Samphan, this spring and to sign an aid agreement with him. The rockets falling in Phnom Penh are thus Chinese ones. If the Chinese would really like to see peace talks and a coalition in Cambodia they are not able or determined enough to bring pressure on the Royal Government of National Union as it styles itself. Perhaps when Dr Kissinger goes to Peking in October a bargain can be struck.

Degree of punishment

From Mr E. Justin Evans
Sir, I have a long-standing admiration for the wit and perspicacity of Mr Bernard Levin, but his article, "We cannot stop killers by calling them names" (July 30) seems to me to fall far below his usual level of perspicacity. He pleads for an "almost intolerable level" of security "in all places of even remotely public significance" but his views on crime and punishment seem limited to the extremely superficial statement that killers are psychopathic but not cowards, and are unlikely to be deterred by the death penalty.

The common view of many "advanced" penologists today that the nature and severity of punishment have virtually no effect upon the commission of any sort of crime is supported by no convincing evidence and seems to fly in the face of all normal human instincts and experience. Reform, deterrence and retribution remain the essential "ends" in any philosophy of punishment, however much room remains for experiment with the most effective means of reform and deterrence.

But is Mr Levin right in his claim that "although anger and disgust

provide the correct moral response to such wickedness, they do not offer a guide in action?" Surely action about punishment has to develop in accordance with society's experience of the nature of the acts which it has in face. The "naive indignation" that is so widely felt at such outrages as the Olympic Games massacres or the Tower of London bombings is something to be taken into account by our legislators and not ignored as something unworthy and barbaric or "the easy judgment" that Mr Levin alleges it to be.

The new challenge to society at large from modern terrorism calls for far more effective deterrents and retribution than the "fighting of security measures". In my view there would be overwhelming public support, whether expressed through a general election or a referendum, for a law, national but also international if agreement can be reached, that made capital punishment the penalty for those convicted after due legal process of exploding or conspiring to explode bombs for the purposes of terrorism.

The very nature of civilized society is being threatened in a new way and society has not only the right but the duty to protect itself. A society which fails to do so is sick

not strong. To claim that the execution of terrorists would increase rather than diminish terrorism carries no more conviction in the minds of the general public than does the suggestion that considerations of humanity demand that car bombers should be imprisoned in situations where their parents—and perhaps their rescuers too—can have easy access to them.

Capital punishment is wrong, says Mr Levin dogmatically. Arguments will have no effect upon those who take such an extreme pacifist position, for that is what it is. But we are in a state of war—against ruthless and determined enemies—and it is perhaps even more morally justifiable to shoot these new enemies who bomb and hijack than it is to shoot members of an invading army. We see on all sides the results of the abdication of their responsibilities on the part of those who should be exercising authority, whether parents, school teachers, university dons or the state itself. If, as Mr Levin evidently fears, the tide is turning, so much the better. Yours faithfully,
H. JUSTIN EVANS,
Glebe House,
Church Streeton,
Shropshire,
July 31.

Future of democracy in Britain

From Mr A. R. M. Graham
Sir, Lord Chalfont's article in your pages today (August 5) concludes by calling for "a fundamental reorganisation of the forces of the centre".

Apart from its unlikelihood, there is one very strong argument against having the politicians of the centre grouped together in a single coalition, alliance, or what-you-will. If the centre were occupied by one party exclusively, the only electoral alternatives would be the extremes of right or left. However defective the present political system, it at least enables us to change one moderate government for another moderate government, perhaps too frequently, but without resorting to revolution.

The forces of the centre are best aligned as they are—acting as the essential counter-balance within their own parties to the forces at the extremes. It is true in politics as in mechanics that a large force close to the pivot point is needed in balance quite a small force a long way out.

Yours faithfully,
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Nottinghamshire.

use of soldiers under full parliamentary control is an entirely different matter.

The paramount problem of inflation will not be overcome without a period of danger. It will not be easy to limit the money supply even by stages to the potential of production, to curb the power of some trade unions still strong enough for excessive demands even in deflationary conditions, to move the economy forward again at the end of the deflation, to make the necessary effort for adjusting ourselves to a European community capable of saving us from the extreme fluctuations of world prices. This task will require an altogether different order of mind and will in government. Yet these proposals are well within the range of the British constitution, which did not include a referendum at the time our country signed the Treaty of Rome whose violation some now suggest.

Yours faithfully,
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France.

From Mr Robert Robinson
Sir, Respecting, as I do, Alun Chalfont's own sense of responsibility (not to mention that of *The Times* itself) I turned to his article "Will Britain be heading for a military takeover?" confident that such an electrifying headline would be justified by something more than the question-mark. But the rhetoric of the title, echoed in the caption to the photograph ("Armoured cars at Heathrow: A rehearsal for a coup?"), extended to the article.

If an authoritarian conspiracy actually exists, the journalist's obligation is to give the facts as they are known to him. Second, he must sharply distinguish between these facts and the vague sectional resentments that are always with us (it is August, and the under-employed reporter bemoans like a pigeon on the superannuated General, to be told that the country lacks discipline).

All the article could muster, to state the obvious, was a charge of sensationalism, with such old leader-writer's favourites as "many people" and "more and more people" and even "most intelligent people"—unacceptable substitutes for the personal pronoun.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT ROBINSON,
16 Cheyne Row, SW3.

show that the problem is very small.

The total expenditure in Scotland and Wales in 1968-69 by the central government on services considered potentially suitable for devolution was £780m. This was about 2½ per cent of total public expenditure. So if such a devolution took place Scotland and Wales could each raise their own expenditures by a fifth in one year without raising total demand by more than ½ per cent of GNP. If this were considered serious, then the assemblies could be asked not to change their total expenditures more than, say, 5 per cent each year, a policy which would still allow substantial changes to occur to a matter of a few years.

If devolution extended to English regions as well, then, of course, the problem would be larger though not insoluble. But one wonders if the planners think any economy can be managed unless all expenditures are under direct central control.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID N. KING,
56 Kingsgate Street,
Winchester,
Hampshire.

Devolved economies

From Mr David N. King
Sir, In your issue of July 30 you reported that the North-West Economic Planning Council has written to the Government about the Kilbrandon committee proposals for devolution saying "Either insufficient powers would be devolved to Scotland and Wales in the areas of taxation and public expenditure for them to make full use of the other powers transferred to them, or the United Kingdom Government would be left with insufficient powers to manage the economy as a whole". This view is largely at odds with the one put forward in the research paper which I wrote at the request of the Kilbrandon commission, and which was published by them, concerning the economic consequences of devolution.

While I am sure the power of devolved assemblies would depend considerably upon the degree of financial independence, the question is whether such independence would make overall economic management impossible. This is ultimately a matter of opinion, but a few figures will

subjected to the same programmes. He states that one-sixth of a child's waking hours—more than two hours a day—are spent watching television. As this is, in fact, the time typically spent watching television, this would mean that the poor child sees nothing but violence. Viewing figures for *Blue Peter* and *The Wednesday* suggest that it is not true that television and not other environmental factors which leads children to a life of violence, why are not all children violent? There are too many such unresolved questions to permit the blind adoption of unsubstantiated attitudes.

Perhaps most significant error made by Mr Shulman, which demonstrates his complete antipathy to the medium, is that he credits Mr Denis Forman with a belief that there is no link between television and violence, surely, it is true that if television can influence society—and particularly the young—in such a negative, destructive way, it can also influence society in a positive, constructive way. It can, in fact, do both, and it is hard to see how it can be held responsible for a decline just as much as an increase in violent crime, if administered with a sense of responsibility to society.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID FISHER,
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37 Gower Street, WC1.

Crime and television

From Mr David Fisher
Sir, The letter from Mr Milton Shulman about the relationship between crimes of violence and television (July 31) does not bear close examination. If his arguments are typical of those which have persuaded American television companies that there is a link between violent crime and television, one can only be amazed at the gullibility of American broadcasters.

To state that there has been an increase in crime committed by those under 21 and that this is a generation of "television babies" hardly proves that there is no positive connexion between the statements other than juxtaposition. It is also the first generation this century to be brought up without the organized violence of war. Is the absence of war as harmful as the presence of television?

A recent survey conducted on behalf of advertisers, who have very strong commercial motives for discovering exactly who is influenced by television, revealed that middle-aged people are more likely to be persuaded by television than are children. Perhaps that is why older people commit less crime.

Mr Shulman's analogy with the situation in New York is meaningless, as, by and large, we are not

tries from altering them or demolishing them at will. It is a sobering thought.

An amendment to the 1967 Civic Amenities Bill which I drafted and Mr John Smith moved in Standing Committee and which would in general have annulled the exemption received support from all those who took part in the debate and was only withdrawn because the minister in charge ruled that it was too important a matter to be dealt with by an amendment to a Private Member's Bill. That was seven years ago. *Quis custodiet ipsos custodes?*
I AM, Sir, your obedient servant,
ANGUS ACWORTH,
47 Eaton Square, SW1.

Charismatic movement

From the Reverend Michael Harper
Sir, May I comment on Clifford Longley's article in the *Charismatic* movement published on July 29? In it he quotes my leading article in the magazine *Renewal* and the relationship between the Roman Catholic and Protestant branches of this movement.

The impression may have been given that the article was written from an extreme Protestant position—a return to "old-fashioned denominational sparring", to use Clifford Longley's own phrase. But the standpoint of my article, which was quoted extensively, is not the old rigid doctrinaire approach of the past, but the spirit of ecumenism, which, while not neglecting doctrinal truth, believes that such matters are better resolved in an atmosphere of mutual love and respect at close quarters than firing salvos at one another from a distance.

The article, however, did express a fear, which both Catholic and Protestant leaders in the charismatic movement share, that in the excitement and joy of rediscovering a

spiritual unity in Christ, we may be tempted to neglect the importance of truth to our mutual impoverishment.

Clifford Longley's article suggests that the unity which has been discovered in the charismatic movement between Catholics and Protestants is threatened by such doctrinal disagreements. On the contrary such intellectual honesty, facing the truth together, would seem an even greater incentive in the movement to stay together.

The charismatic movement has found that the key to Christian unity begins with unity in Christ and in the Spirit, and this then creates the right atmosphere and compelling motive to discover unity in truth together. I have never doubted the sincerity of charismatic Catholics. It is of the utmost significance that in the only country where both Catholic and Protestant charismatic Christians share the same organization is in Ireland. Need one say any more?

Yours faithfully,
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Treating mental illness

From Dr C. Powell
Sir, Dr William Sargant indicates (July 30) some of the tensions in psychiatry today, including the challenge of the chronically ill patient.

British medicine in general has shown relatively little interest in chronic disease and even less interest in chronically ill people. Unfortunately Dr Sargant seems to acquiesce in this attitude with his comment "And senile dementias cannot be helped". If this means that the brain pathology responsible for the cognitive and behavioural impairment cannot be reversed, then, of course, this is usually true.

However, this is very different from saying that these elderly patients "cannot be helped". It is not a matter of attitude from all but a handful of psychiatrists in this country that has infected the rest of medicine and nursing. We have to accept the challenge of irreversible disease in these patients, which needs the creation of a suitable, caring—even loving—environment.

A situation where the hospital provides not just a bed but a home. These patients are frequently "ungrateful", difficult and demanding. Rather than "finishing off" the mentally ill, but so often mentally "vacant". Caring for them causes extreme pressures on nursing staff particularly, and this surely must be among the most difficult areas of nursing.

Last Dr Sargant's gloomy views (including the implication that depression in the over 80s is untreatable) are accepted as present day practice, one is glad to record that this is not the case in some psychiatric units.

Yours faithfully,
COLIN POWELL,
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devotion to the cause of physical treatments in psychiatry is well known, but his enthusiasm may well distort his vision for the future of the psychiatric services.

To argue that consultants are taking on too many commitments in the treatment of neurotic outpatients is lamentable. The plight of people with neurotic states or personality disorders (Dr Sargant calls them psychopaths) is just as crucial as those with the psychotic conditions. The provision of psychotherapy, both individual and group, within the National Health Service is totally inadequate, and it is vital that politicians should not be misled by Dr Sargant's naive comments.

Before any decision is taken to close down the "old asylums", we must be certain that adequate provision is made for the elderly (geriatric) and neurotic patients. At present the concept of "community care" is more in the realm of fantasy, and to postulate that physical treatments in psychiatry are the answer in all the problems of human misery and inadequacy is a questionable at least.

Rather than "finishing off" the mental hospitals, it would be more constructive to consider what positive part they could play in the psychiatric services of the future. The concept of "asylum" is still valid. Analysis of the needs of such units could be housed in the mental hospitals. There is also a need for adolescent and mother and baby units and again, should these not be adequately provided for in the district general hospital psychiatric units, a large case could be found for them in the older establishments.

Let us not be rushed into decisions that we might come to regret in the future.

Yours faithfully,
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Militant students

From Mr J. F. Q. Switzer
Sir, Mr James Campbell, the former Senior Proctor at Oxford, in his excellent speech on the problems of a leading group of militant students (*The Times*, August 2) stresses the fact that their aim is disruption for its own sake. If the demands for a central students union at Oxford had been met they would only have raised some other issue.

Lord Annan in his report on the disturbances at Essex (*The Times*, July 31) makes the same point. He refers to members of the International Marxist Group, the International Socialists, and the Communist Party and says: "Their aims are clear. On any issue—and if there is none they will invent one—they will raise the temperature and create a situation in which the university authorities will be cornered and capitulate."

As you say in your leading article on the report, the view of the militants is that the relationship between students and authorities is one of an inherent competition—if not conflict—between their interests.

One of my tutorial colleagues in this university was told by a pupil last year that his only objective whilst at Cambridge was to destroy the collegiate system. The under-

graduate remains a member of his college, and presumably continues his activities at the public expense.

I believe that many people outside the universities, and some inside them, wonder what to do of all this. Are these facts of life to be observed and accepted rather as extreme cases of the "low" student manners at Essex which Lord Annan describes as showing themselves in verbal violence, intimidation, petty theft and vandalism?

Lord Annan states in his report that university authorities must regard the militants "for what they are—wreckers". What does he mean by this? Simply that we should regard them; or that we should actually do something about them? Would Lord Annan think for example that a self-confessed wrecker might be sent down before he has started wrecking? And what of the "low" manners? Are these to be regarded as social phenomena merely to be observed; or should university authorities do something about them? Would Lord Annan take them into account for example in selecting students for admission to a university?

Yours faithfully,
J. F. Q. SWITZER,
Sidney Sussex College,
Cambridge,
August 2.

Labour unrest

From Professor Royden Harrison
Sir, I am bewildered by Mr Albu's letter (August 2). First, he reproaches me with offering too much support to the Labour Party and no account of it, but merely drew attention to it, as what Darwin would have called a "grand fact", a grand fact which Mr Jenkins entirely overlooked. (If I was required to account for it I would certainly suggest that the most plausible explanation than the one Mr Albu supplies. I dispute that present expectations are "established" ones; they are increasingly dangerous and hold. I dispute that inflation can be adequately accounted for by wages push. These conventional assumptions will have no more critically examined if any sense is to be made of our condition.)

Second, Mr Albu remarks that I offer "no solution" other than the one Mr Roy Jenkins himself accepts. Without calling Mr Albu's authority into doubt, it would be helpful if

Mr Jenkins himself would affirm that: "If the social compact is to become a reality... then the advance towards social accountability and social equality will have to be accelerated." A speech by Mr Jenkins on this text would be welcomed by the Labour Party and by sensible moderates everywhere.

Third, in drawing attention to the effectiveness of direct action I was not saluting it as an alternative to parliamentary government; let alone indulging in "political escapism" (I fear that political escapism is on the other side). What I was suggesting was that Mr Tony Benn had far more to offer moderates than has Mr Roy Jenkins.

As you, Sir, rightly pointed out, Mr Jenkins is hardly to be distinguished from a sensible Tory or Liberal. And that won't do at all given the present state of working class expectations and demands.

Yours sincerely,
ROYDEN HARRISON,
The Burn,
Eaton Augustus,
August 3.

Listed church buildings

From Mr Angus Acworth
Sir, Until recently, owing to the lack of case law, the ambit of the words "ecclesiastical buildings for the time being used for ecclesiastical purposes" was uncertain. I was first concerned with it in the 1940s in the matter of the Mansion House, Bedford Square, London, W.C.1, a 17th-century secular building taken over by non-conformists in the nineteenth century for use as a chapel.

The matter was settled without recourse to the courts. Then there was the case of the rectory in Gower Street, W.C.1, which did get to court: the building was held to fall outside the exemption. The recent Court of Appeal decision (*The Times*, July 18) in the case of the 200-year-old Howard Congregational Church at Bedford reviews the matter comprehensively and authoritatively.

But it goes further than that. It has, of course, always been clear that alterations, however damaging, to a listed but exempted building could not be controlled; but it was widely thought that demolition would be subject to control since there would be a moment of time before demolition started when the building would have ceased in being used for ecclesiastical purposes so that listing could take effect. It appears that this is not so.

We at least now know where we stand. There is nothing to prevent the governing bodies, the trustees or other owners of listed non-conformist churches, chapels and meeting houses, school and college chapels, private chapels and chan-

Bare-foot doctors

From Mrs J. E. Walton
Sir, In reply to Dr Rickards's letter regarding "bare-foot" doctors, we already have them in this country. They are called pharmacists.

In addition to dispensing prescriptions for uneconomic returns we also give free first aid and advice on some medical matters. We also work outside normal hours for payment which is less than many other professional people charge for signing a passport application form.

However, far from our training being completed in three months, it takes four years.

Yours sincerely,
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Andoversford,
Near Cheltenham,
Gloucestershire.

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Rise in lending by banks may be due to industry's liquidity problems

By Ian Morrison First serious evidence that industrial companies are relying heavily on their banks for help in surmounting liquidity difficulties is apparent in the London clearing bank groups for the four weeks to July 17.

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Courtaulds to get big caprolactam shipment

By Business News Staff Courtaulds has completed arrangements by nylon yarn from three Japanese synthetic fibre manufacturers to cover shortages created by the explosion at Flixborough in June.

Fed chief condemns financial adventures

From Our United States Economics Correspondent Washington, Aug 6 Dr Arthur Burns, chairman of the Federal Reserve System, admitted today that the record level of interest rates threatened the soundness of some industries and financial institutions.

La Roche called before German cartel office

By Malcolm Brown Hoffmann-La Roche, the Swiss-based pharmaceutical group, has been summoned to appear before a public hearing of the West German Cartel Office in Berlin on August 22.

Nixon decision to stay upsets Wall St after best rally for 6 years

By Frank Vogl Washington, Aug 6 Share prices on United States stock markets soared ahead early today in the expectation that President Nixon would resign.

Ferranti in Brazilian computer company

By Kenneth Owen Technology Correspondent Brazil is to set up its first national computer company with the help of Ferranti, the British electronics company.

Halewood sit-in talks continue

Moves were made to Liverpool yesterday to end the five-day sit-in by 70 security guards at the Halewood Ford car plant.

Thomson plans compensation for lost holidays

Compensation of up to £20 for cancelled holidays is being offered under Thomson Holidays' new charter announced yesterday.

£3m Williams Hudson loss on Vickers sale

By Maurice Barnfather Williams Hudson, 43.8 per cent owned by Mr David Rowland's Argo Caribbean Group, has sold for £9m its entire 23.685 per cent equity stake in Vickers.

July car output down 6,500 on last year

By Edward Townsend Car production in the United Kingdom last month has been estimated by the Department of Industry at 93,000, 6,500 down on the figure of 99,500 in July last year.

Bremar Holdings Ltd Bankers. Pre-Tax Profits Increase by 100%. Gross Assets—Double to Record £33 million. Liquidity at Record Levels.

Government urged to fight EEC's limit on sugar beet

By Hugh Clayton News of further contraction in the food industry came yesterday as the British Sugar Corporation urged the Government to fight an EEC plan to block expansion of some sugar beet output.

French aim to balance foreign trade reiterated

Paris, Aug 6. — M Jean-Pierre Fourcade, French Finance Minister, said that the Government maintained its aim of returning to equilibrium on the foreign trade balance by the end of 1975.

Service compris. C ompris. Toujours compris. In recent years the people of continental Europe have come to know that the name Knight Frank & Rutley always means service in property, complete and comprehensive, to an extent not previously familiar to them.

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Bank board excludes Signor Sindona

From John Earle
Rome, Aug 6

Signor Michele Sindona, the financier, has been excluded from the management of his Italian banking empire by the state-controlled Banco di Roma, which has appointed seven of the nine board members of the new Banca Privata Italiana.

Banca Privata Italiana, formed this month through a merger between the two Sindona banks, Banca Unione and Banca Privata Finanziaria, was planned by Signor Sindona before he ran into difficulties to rationalize his Italian banking activities in preparation for further expansion.

The new bank, which has a share capital of 15,120m lire (more than £10m), also controls Banca di Messina in Sicily and the Swiss-based Finbank of Geneva.

The first shareholders' meet-

Union row may lead to BSC strike

By Alan Hamilton

A dispute which could develop into a serious confrontation has broken out over which union should represent 11,000 middle managers in the British Steel Corporation.

The Steel Industry Management Association, a non-TUC union which represents about 10,000 of the BSC's managers, is threatening industrial action which could shut down BSC over the corporation's decision to grant negotiating rights for managers to the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation.

The confederation, which is the industry's second largest union, mainly represents shop floor workers.

Mr Robert Muir, general secretary of SIMA, will today deliver a 7,000-signature petition to the Prime Minister asking him to investigate what he has described as the BSC's "breach of faith".

Mr Muir said yesterday that he wanted the Government to set up a court of inquiry.

The ISTC has a membership of about 110,000, but represents only about 600 middle managers, compared with SIMA's 10,000.

Mr Muir said that during the Pearson court of inquiry into white-collar union representation in the BSC in 1968, the corporation made it clear that it wanted only one union for middle management. It was then understood that that union would be SIMA.

He added: "Since then there has been a steady erosion of our bargaining agreements in favour of the ISTC. We are entitled to expect management's cooperation; we have agreed not to recruit members below middle management level, so why should the ISTC be allowed to recruit and represent above shop floor level?"

Scrap trade plea for easier EEC imports

Scrap merchants are pressing the Government to make clear when the transitional period for intra-EEC trade in scrap is to end.

Mr Mac Bisset, president of the British Scrap Federation, said yesterday: "We are now firmly convinced that it is in the best interests of the steel industry and the scrap industry in end of the transitional period as soon as possible so that scrap can flow freely into the country. This would deter any tendency to stockpile which is bound to increase as we get closer to the end of the year."

The Government had never clearly said if an extension of the transitional period—due to end this year—would be sought.

Complaints of supply short-ages illustrated the failure of the Government's scrap export policy, Mr Bisset said. So far this year scrap imports had been negligible.

Divestiture terms eased

An official of the anti-trust division of the United States Justice Department said yesterday that it would give the

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Devolution and overall economic management

From Mr David N. King
Sir, In your issue of July 30 you reported that the North-West Economic Planning Council has written to Government about the Kilbrandon commission's proposals for devolution saying "Either insufficient powers would be devolved to Scotland and Wales in the areas of taxation and public expenditure for them to make full use of the other powers transferred to them, or the United Kingdom Government would be left with insufficient powers to manage the economy as a whole". This view is largely at odds with the one put forward in the research paper which I wrote at the request of the Kilbrandon commission, and which was published by them, concerning the economic consequences of devolution.

Whilst I am sure the power of devolved assemblies would depend considerably upon their degree of financial independence, the question is whether such independence would make overall economic management impossible. This is ultimately a matter of opinion, but a few figures will show that the problem is very small.

The total expenditure in Scotland and Wales in 1968-69 by the central government on services considered potentially suitable for devolution was £780m. This was about 2½ per cent of total public expenditure. So if such devolution took place Scotland and Wales could each raise their expenditures by a fifth in one year without raising total demand by more than ½ per cent of GNP. It was considered serious, then the assemblies could be asked not to change their total expenditures more than, say, 5 per cent each year, a policy which would still allow substantial changes to occur in a matter of a few years.

If devolution extended in English regions as well, then, of course, the problem would be larger though not insoluble. But one wonders if the planners think any economy can be "managed" unless all expenditure is under direct central control.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID N. KING,
56 Kingsgate Street,
Winchester,
Hampshire.

One law for nationalized offers, fines for the rest

From Mrs A. B. Lees
Sir, Eastern Gas has been running advertisements in local papers offering refunds at reduced prices. "Installed next day" say the heavy print headlines and underneath, it appears you would order in the morning to secure this advantage.

At 9.55 am on Monday, July 29, my husband rang the Eastern Gas office. A young lady asked if he could ring again later when the manager would have arrived. At 9.45 am he got the same reply.

He retorted, rather acidly, that if she couldn't take an order, would she please find someone who could. After a pause a male voice arrived and my husband gave the order.

It seems that you can't just phone up and order a fridge or a vacuum cleaner or a lawnmower and it will arrive complete with bill which you pay. You must produce a signature before the gas board will recognize your existence.

Now, I'm sure there are many good reasons for this. There must be lots of people whose summer pastime is refusing to accept them.

My complaint is that my husband was told that even if ordered on Monday it would be the end of the week before delivery took place. Having heard of the Trade Descriptions Act or something? I seem to remember that if a travel firm "sells" me a hotel with swimming bath, and the swimming bath doesn't exist, they get fined.

Can the gas board offer installation next day in black and white, but change it to the end of the week with impunity?

Yours faithfully,
A. B. LEES,
Hailford Lodge,
Herford Heath,
Hereford.

4,500 laid off because of BLMC clerks' dispute

By R. W. Shakespeare

In addition to the gloom caused by its falling share of the home car market British Leyland yesterday ran into more disruption through labour troubles in its top-earning bus and truck divisions.

All production of trucks and tractors was halted at the Bethge factory in Midlothian because of a strike by 450 clerks and the consequent lay-off of nearly 4,500 men.

The clerks gave notice of their intended strike action on Monday after the breakdown of negotiations on a pay deal. Yesterday the entire production workforce, with the exception of some toolroom workers and maintenance engineers, were sent home "until further notice".

The clerks have turned down a company offer of an average 11½ per cent pay increase which would have raised their earnings to between £40 and £46 for a 40-hour week depending on grade.

The £10 pay rise: Lorry drivers employed by 100 haulage companies in the west Midlands are to get an extra £10 a week. In return for this pay deal they are being asked to join the union to ban all wildcat strikes.

The deal which has been negotiated by Mr Alan Law, the regional commercial trade group secretary of the Transport & General Workers' Union affects 2,000 drivers.

Business appointments

Sir Charles Johnston new Australian Estates chief

Sir Charles Johnston has been appointed chairman of Australian Estates following the resignation of Sir Deryn Lawson. Sir Charles was British High Commissioner in Australia from 1965 to 1971.

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Mr T. A. Mear has joined the board of Concrete.

Mr H. C. Pilkington is the new chairman of Vastonia in succession to Mr B. Glaston.

Mr R. H. Thorpe has been appointed managing director of Anderson Strathclyde, but continues as managing director of Anderson Mavor. Mr R. M. Clive becomes assistant managing director of Anderson Mavor and Mr J. R. Morris will move on to the board as marketing director.

Mr Alexander Anderson will become joint managing director of M and C Switchgear with Mr W. Wait.

Mr D. Elton, joint managing director of subsidiary of Ultramar, has been made president of Neal Petroleum, Toronto, and chief executive in Canada of Ultramar GRP's Ontario companies. Mr Elton succeeds Mr G. Mothershead who becomes vice-president of Neal's parent company Ultramar Canada, and chairman of Neal Petroleum.

Mr Peter Bloom, Mr Stephen Kargore, Mr Guy Fritts, Mr John R. Nelson and Mr John Robertson have been made vice-presidents at First National City Bank.

The following appointments have been made by C. T. Seering & Co (Insurance): divisional directors, marine division—Mr K. A. Johnston, Mr G. J. Stewart; American non-marine division—Mr G. J. McKean; assistant directors, evi-

Mersey peace move

In a move to end the eight-week strike of the 300 maintenance engineers employed by Mersey Docks and Harbour Company, officials of the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions met strike leaders yesterday.

Saudi oil price cuts

Saudi Arabia wants to cut its oil prices to avert a world-wide recession, Mr Ahmed Saki El Yamani, the Saudi Oil Minister said in an interview with the magazine *Quick* yesterday.

Real menace of high interest rates

From Mr A. S. Raiton
Sir, Probably a large majority of the nation now has an uneasy feeling that the misuse of power for the sake of greed will organize small minorities, be they miners or inland Revenue officials or all sorts in between, may well pull down the whole fabric of our happy society. But few people seem to be aware that the Devil has two prongs to his fork, and that an equal menace to us all are the present high rates of interest.

All our means of production and service are fast slipping into the hands of money lenders. Money today invested in corporation stocks can earn 15 per cent. Anybody, therefore, who invests in industry and believes that, after they have run the gauntlet of international crises, shop stewards, predators and normal industrial risks, they will still earn more than 15 per cent on their capital employed, must be mad. It is therefore impossible to raise risk capital, only secured loans at interest rates from 13½ per cent to 17 per cent. A com-

pany that borrows £100,000 at 15 per cent for five years must earn 30 per cent on this money to be able to repay it. More and more companies have no hope of escaping from their lenders except by borrowing from Peter to pay Paul. The crumbs left on the table for risk capital are going to get less and less.

Money-lending is, of course, one of the oldest professions in the world, but history shows that money lenders are always in danger when they become over-exposed. Today, as they get into trouble, government will take them over to avoid short-term chaos, and, by so doing, get control of nearly all our business enterprises.

High interest rates may be propping up the value of the pound, but if they continue much longer, there will be no vigorous and profitable private sector of industry and services left.

ANDREW S. RAITON,
Bentleys,
Waltham St Lawrence,
Near Reading,
Berkshire.

Feather in the Peacock throne

From Margaret Henderson
Sir, It was extremely kind of the Shah of Persia to loan me enough money to stay afloat a little longer. Now, I wonder, can he be persuaded to loan us some financial wizards who could tell us how we shall ever be able to pay the loan back.

Or shall we become one feather in the Peacock throne? Perhaps on bad thing—he is an exceptionally handsome man. Yours sincerely,
MARGARET HENDERSON
Kilmarnock.

£1m promotion for cat food

After almost a year of test marketing, Quaker Oats next month starts a £500,000 national launch of its Felix brand soft moist cat food. This will be the heaviest programme ever mounted by the company for a pet food product. The campaign is devised by Collect Dickenson Pearce, which also handles Quaker's Chunky dog food products.

Packeted pet foods such as Felix have been showing a more rapid rate of growth in recent years than the canned varieties in the £140m market. One of the main stimulants was the introduction of "soft moist" or "semi moist" products. These were relatively new to the British market, but have been available in the United States since 1962.

Quaker entered the British pet foods market in 1967 and this sector, excluding its chem-

involve no promotional or advertising activities. Although Imperial uses 11 agencies for its tobacco products in the United Kingdom, none has been specifically named yet to handle the new smoking material. Government clearances have been obtained only for consumer trials and not test-marketing.

Italian link sought

Negotiations are taking place between the British-owned Osborne advertising group and one of the leading Italian agencies. The Osborne group already has wholly-owned subsidiary activities in Paris and Hamburg.

With billings in 1973 of more than £11m Osborne's is one of the largest British-owned advertising companies.

Patricia Tisdall

Advertising & marketing

ical operations and Fisher-Price Toys, now accounts for 50 per cent of turnover and an equivalent proportion of profits.

Tobacco substitute

Imperial Tobacco is preparing a detailed market research programme into consumer acceptance of tobacco substitute material. This comes after the official authorization announced yesterday that tests could begin. The programme which will involve a sample of about 6,000 people will start next month. The project will at this stage

Achievement and Responsibility

Solving the Problems of our Time

Protecting the health of man, safeguarding his nutrition, making good the shortage of conventional materials by providing fibres, plastic film and plastics, and meeting mankind's growing demands in respect of clothing, housing and recreation — these are guiding principles in our activities.

With more than 10,000 people in research and

development and 155,000 employees in more than 120 countries we are committed to these tasks. The results are contributions towards solving the major problems of our time.

420,000 shareholders place confidence in Hoechst. The shareholders' investment enables the Company to engage in the quest for new products and processes that help maintain and raise our standard of living. Thus shareholders and employees contribute jointly towards success.

Obligations towards the State and Society

Hoechst fulfils its function in society not only by safeguarding jobs and incomes, maintaining the value of the invested capital and ensuring an appropriate yield, but also by the taxes it pays. These financial contributions to society amounted to nearly DM 800 million in 1973, thus aiding in the solution of important problems of the State.

Capital Expenditures - Safeguards for the Future

Our capital expenditures policy is determined by the growing demand for chemical products. Here, the special opportunity for Hoechst lies in the manufacture of highly sophisticated products, in the development of which we can make optimum use of our scientific-technical potential. Foreign markets hold out promise of great opportunities, and consequently this is where capital expenditures will be concentrated in the future.

Group Balance Sheet at 31st December 1973 (abridged version)

Liabilities	DM million	%	Assets	DM million	%
Shareholders' equity	4,454	28	Tangible fixed assets	6,957	44
Long-term liabilities	8,401	40	Financial assets	994	6
Long-term capital employed	10,855	68	Fixed and financial assets	7,951	50
Accounts payable for goods and services	1,300	9	Inventories	3,030	19
Due to banks	1,289	8	Receivables for goods and services	2,899	18
Miscellaneous liabilities	2,116	13	Other short-term receivables	510	3
Total profit	982	6	Liquid assets	1,542	10
Short-term liabilities	5,047	32	Current assets	7,951	50
Balance sheet total	15,902	100	Balance sheet total	15,902	100

Hoechst Group

	1973	1972	1st Quarter 1974			
	DM million		1st Quarter 1974	1st Quarter 1974	Quarterly average 1973	Change average 1973 quarterly average %
Group sales	15,343	13,381				
abroad	8,892	7,771				
Expenditure on fixed assets	1,080	1,488				
abroad	378	470				
Depreciation on fixed assets	1,129	1,080				
Profit before taxes	1,292	914				
Profit after taxes (year's net earnings)	620	337				
Employees	155,450	146,320				
abroad	53,530	48,500				

1st Quarter 1974

	1st Quarter 1974	1st Quarter 1974	Quarterly average 1973	Change 1973 quarterly average %
— DM million —				
Hoechst Group	4,840	3,710	3,836	+26
Germany	1,950	1,570	1,613	+21
Abroad	2,890	2,140	2,223	+30
Hoechst AG	2,472	1,857	1,850	+26.8
Germany	1,250	1,005	1,029	+21.5
Abroad	1,222	852	821	+32.7
Profit before taxes	230	166	196	+17.3
Employees	65,513	63,601		

Total Output of the Hoechst Group

	1973	%
Payments to and on behalf of employees (wages, salaries, social security contributions)	4,029	26
Payments in respect of capital employed		
Dividend paid	297	2
Payments in respect of borrowed capital	563	4
Financial contributions to society (taxes on income and property)	772	5
Retentions for corporate requirements (depreciation, retained earnings)	1,507	10
Payments to suppliers	8,425	55
Total payments covered by other income	15,583	102
— 348	— 2	
Total output of the Hoechst Group	15,245	100



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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Williams Hudson cuts its losses



Mr. D. Lawman, chairman of Prestige Group: signs of defensive strength.

can draw any conclusions from Mr. Rowland's sale of his 24 per cent shareholding, it is that the 87½p share is a good given the size of the stake and the prevailing stock market. Beyond that, one's thoughts turn to the fact that the share was sold at a price which has plainly gone into the ground.

Rowland's commitment to the company has been a source of interest. But it is clear that what has happened is a world-wide interest rates the early part of last year and with the borrowings of £50m on an average 15 per cent rate and a running loss of £10m. It is not clear whether the loss on the sale of the Vickers stake was a necessary painful estimate of the value of the company or a deliberate move to allow for dividends of perhaps £1m—it was the only real course of action open to WH.

The stock market's snap reaction to the news of the sale was to drop the share price to 87½p, where the group was valued at just under £4m. It is clear that the reaction in the light of the (and overdue) results of 1973-4 remains to be seen. WH's much vaunted asset of £50m is now worth 130p and if one wants to invest there, there are more attractive opportunities than this.

up to £1.5m, putting the shares at 26p on a prospective p/e ratio of under 4, while a maximum dividend increase would boost the yield to 9½ per cent—a rating that is taking no chances on 1975.

Interim 1974 (1973)
Capitalization £2.8m
Sales £8.96m (£6.89m)
Pratex profits £0.78m (£0.68m)
Dividend gross 0.94p (0.83p)

Unitech Question mark over demand

Unitech's problem last year was not a shortage of demand but of whether the shortage of electronic components would enable it to meet that demand. In the event the shortage eased in the latter part of the year to produce virtually doubled profits for Unitech.

A fall in the off-take from the automobile and consumer electronics sectors seems to have released valuable supplies of United States-made electronic components to Unitech, and only some semiconductor present supply problems now. However, the big question mark this year is over demand.

At present it is up in value terms though only marginally in volume terms. Formally the industrial markets—such as telecommunications, industrial control equipment and computers—Unitech supplies are not so vulnerable to immediate downturn as consumer sectors. So, with the factors now on stream, Unitech does not appear to have to worry too much yet about its higher breakeven point.

However, where demand goes beyond this year is very much in question. Formally the historical p/e ratio is 8 and the yield 10½ per cent. Unitech's shares look fully valued.

Final: 1973-74 (1972-73)
Capitalization £5.1m
Sales £15.1m (£8.78m)
Pre-tax profits £1.3m (£0.65m)
Earnings per share 9.5p (8.4p)
Dividend gross 8.4p (8.0p)

Prestige Group Volume growth overseas

Prestige largely missed out on the best consumer durables boom but yesterday's interim results, showing an increase in turnover roughly in line with last year's progress, perhaps vindicates the group's contention that its own product range is less vulnerable to the ups and downs of the consumer climate than most other household goods manufacturers. Sales were up by 18½ per cent, despite the three-day week which saw production cut back to 70 per cent capacity or less. Evidently most of the running on the volume front has been made overseas and in exports.

Pre-tax profits are just 5.8 per cent of sales, reflecting both the impact of short-time working and increased raw material costs. For the second half the outlook is fairly flat at home although order books are reported at reasonable levels. There will be also the full benefits of recent price rises. Pre-tax profits will probably work out at around £2½m, marginally up on the previous period, suggesting a prospective p/e ratio of around 7½ for the shares at 78p. If that looks quite a fancy rating in these markets the shares have shown a measure of defensive strength over the past six months.

Interim 1974 (1973)
Capitalization £14.3m
Sales £16m (£13.5m)
Pre-tax profits £1.7m (£1.6m)
Dividend gross 2.1p (2p)

Korea struggles against adverse outside influences

The South Korean economy, which during the first quarter of this year had seemingly begun to recover from the effects of the oil crisis, took a decided downward turn in the second quarter. Present indications are that the slump will continue for the rest of the year.

However, before anyone sends for sackcloth and ashes, it should be understood that a slump in the Korean context implies export growth of less than 20 per cent, industrial production increase of less than 12 per cent and GNP expansion—in real terms—of less than 7 per cent.

Nevertheless, while "crises" of these proportions are not likely to result in mercy flights to the advanced countries of the West, they are of deep concern to Korean economic planners saddled with the responsibility of justifying President Park Chung-hee's pledge to put the country on a "self-supporting" basis by the early 1980s.

Until a year or so ago, the basis for Korea's economic development had been laid down in a series of Five-Year Economic Development Plans. The First and Second of which were both surpassed. The Third Five-Year Economic Development Plan (1972-1976) envisaged an average annual GNP growth rate of 8.5 per cent, at 1970 constant market prices, compared with 7.8 per cent for the First Plan (1962-66) and 10.5 per cent for the Second Plan (1967-71).

To accomplish this growth, the plan called for emphasis to be placed on the development of heavy and chemical industries and on the encouragement of regional development, especially through Samsul (New Community) Movement projects aimed at increasing the incomes of the rural and fishing populations.

A key element was to be the achievement of \$3,500m in exports by the target year of 1976. (That figure was nearly attained in 1973 when exports hit \$3,225m; the goal for this year is now \$4,500m, which, in view of current conditions in Korea's market areas, seems a trifle optimistic.)

Although the plan barely began, however, when the Government brought forth a new Long-Range Economic Development Plan which, in effect, incorporated the Third Plan and initial projections for the Fourth Plan. The new Long-Range plan is designed to take the country into the 1990s (essentially until the end of 1981). By then, according to presidential thinking, per capita GNP will reach \$1,000 while exports will top the \$10,000m mark and the country will begin to register favourable balances in its trade accounts and overall foreign exchange position.

Although the new plan took into consideration some of the earlier "dollar crises" and the initial upward movements in prices of essential raw materials, no one foresaw the October Middle East war or the ensuing oil crisis and its concomitants.

Predicated on an average annual inflation rate of 5 per cent, the plan has already taken a fearful beating. In the first six months of this year alone, the wholesale price index has risen more than 31 per cent; the Seoul consumer price index, traditionally a slower mover, has jumped some 20 per cent since the beginning of 1974.

When the price of oil quadrupled compensatory price movements in other areas became unavoidable, given the government's policy of equating petroleum with progress and the country's total dependence upon imported crude. These, in turn, created irresistible pressure for wage increases; by the end of this year, salaries of government employees (generally considered trend-setters where upward movement is concerned) will have risen by at least 40 per cent.

To finance this, the presi-

Michael T. Johnson

Hotels count the cost of inflation

Britain's hotel industry, which Mr. Eric Beard, the French-born chief executive of Grand Metropolitan Hotels, well describes as almost a branch of show business—where else could an Italian peasant, say, still start at the bottom in this country and end at the top?—is patently running into its biggest shakeout for years.

Although in true entertainment industry tradition of the show must go on many of the big men in the business are trying to add a gloss of optimism at least to their individual performances, the evidence is mounting of things getting much worse before they get better.

Recent announcements of hotel closures, sales or re-entrances from organizations as diverse as Scottish and Newcastle Breweries, Magnam Hotels and the Co-operative Wholesale Society are almost certainly only barbingers of greater gloom.

The city of it is that the problems of the industry are often sadly underrated by government, as if the shop window image of the plush life somehow implies hotel keeping is a soft option of profitable mark-ups that need help from Whitehall. The awareness that led to the now-ended Government grants for hotel building could be extended to current problems.

The leaders of the industry, thanks to the efforts of men like Mr. Clive Derby, chief executive of the British Hotels Restaurants and Caterers Association, are now coming to terms with the problem of putting over their point of view and their difficulties to government.

There is the strongest possible case, for instance, now that hotels are purpose built, for industrial building allowances to be extended to their operators.

There must be a lot of finger-crossing going on at Intercontinental, the Pan American Airways subsidiary, which is due to open next March a 540-bedroom hotel at Hyde Park Corner. Delayed by planning permission problems, it missed out on the now-ended grants scheme.

To be known as the Intercontinental Hotel, London, it is costing £12m to build, or £22,000 a bedroom. But the operating company, in which Sir Robert McAlpine interests have a 50 per cent stake, has raised a 9.75 per cent £6m debenture. The property is on long lease.

The result is that the daily rates for room, bath and service are high—between £22 and £25 single and £28 to £32 double. As Mrs Adrienne Corbishley, the United Kingdom sales director, put it: "With the number of hotel bedrooms there are about now in London, it is going to call for a tremendous marketing effort."

friends for the weekend. Many such small hotels are now on offer privately in the trade, with no takers in sight.

At the other end of the scale are the speculators who, building an hotel as part of a bigger property development scheme, are finding that poor location can face them with a loss situation not even good management can cope with.

The hotel building boom, partly a spin-off from the property explosion and particularly in London given a considerable push by the government grants scheme, is leaving especially at risk the many establishments that were floated on large short-term loans that now attract dangerously high interest charges. Equally affected are hotels taken on rental subject to regular and sometimes punishing reviews.

Mr Bernard of Grand Metropolitan, the notable efficiency of whose organization is already showing up with much better than average figures in a hard year, must be glad he has no problems of that kind. A freehold hotel, even if recently built, stands some chance of breaking even at 50 per cent occupancy, although that still implies exceptionally careful cost watching and cutting operations.

With the sort of costs inflation now hitting the hotel industry—food is up at least 20 per cent, with some hoteliers quoting 50 per cent; wages are up 20 per cent or more, and rates between 30 and 50 per cent—it is being envisaged that some hotels will have to hit an occupancy rate of 70 per cent or more before the arithmetic starts coming right.

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It looks as if there is life still in the old hotel axiom that fools build hotels for wise men to buy. If the hoteliers are wise enough, that is, to burnish up their marketing sufficiently to fill them and their cost-control to help them be profitable.

And given the range of the problems that face them, a little help from the Government would not come amiss, either.

That can be the only realistic view, although the new hotel will have in its favour a ballroom area with a 1,240 capacity that could help London begin really to compete for more of the plump international conferences.

At Strand Hotels, the Lyons subsidiary which forms the third largest operator in Britain after Trust Houses Forte and Grand Metropolitan, Mr Ralph Morham, the commercial director, says rent reviews—albeit the rent of the Cumberland—are not causing them great concern. He rates interest loans a far more serious imposition.

But Strand is obviously going to have to be patient over the progress of the new Tower Hotel, built out near the Tower of London as part of an overall Taylor Woodrow development. Because the Greater London Council is dragging its heels over the St Katharine's dock development, the hotel is open without any of the other extensive facilities there to lure tourists and implant more business travellers.

The question remains of how big a shakeout is coming in the industry. Almost certainly it will not be bankruptcies that will emerge but pull-out operations, quite likely including some of the bigger companies with hotel interests.

Mr Eric Hartwell, vice-chairman and deputy chief executive of the marketing orientated Trust Houses Forte, is certainly on the look-out for any hotels thrown up that meet the first three rules of the hotel game: location, location and again location.

There are gaps in their provincial chain they would like to fill. Trafalgar is also seeking the right sites or premises for an extension of the leisure hotel idea which is going well at the moment just outside Cambridge.

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It looks as if there is life still in the old hotel axiom that fools build hotels for wise men to buy. If the hoteliers are wise enough, that is, to burnish up their marketing sufficiently to fill them and their cost-control to help them be profitable.

And given the range of the problems that face them, a little help from the Government would not come amiss, either.

Derek Harris

ANGLO-CONTINENTAL INVESTMENT & FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Notice is hereby given to the holders of share warrants to bearer that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at The Tower Hotel, St. Katharine's Way, London E1 9LD on Thursday 29th August 1974 at 11.30 a.m. to consider and, if thought fit, pass an ordinary resolution to approve certain recent transactions of the Company.

Copies of the circular being issued to shareholders can be obtained from the Secretary, 65/68 Leadenhall Street, London EC3A 2BA.

Holders of Bearer Shares wishing to be admitted to the Meeting must present a certificate confirming that they have deposited their warrants prior to the day of the Meeting, with any Authorized Depository in the United Kingdom.

Forms of deposit certificate (incorporating a Form of Proxy) are available from the Secretary.

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Net Profits Multiplied Almost Five Times in Past 4 Years

Mr. Basil Glass, Chairman, reports:
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RESULTS AT A GLANCE	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974
Year ended March					
Profit before tax (£'000)	734	773	1,324	2,423	3,596
Earnings per Ordinary Share (p)	3.9	4.4	8.0	15.7	17.0
Dividend per Ordinary Share (p)	3.25	3.25	4.0	4.4	4.41
Dividend per Ordinary Share (%)	13.0	13.0	15.0	16.8	17.6
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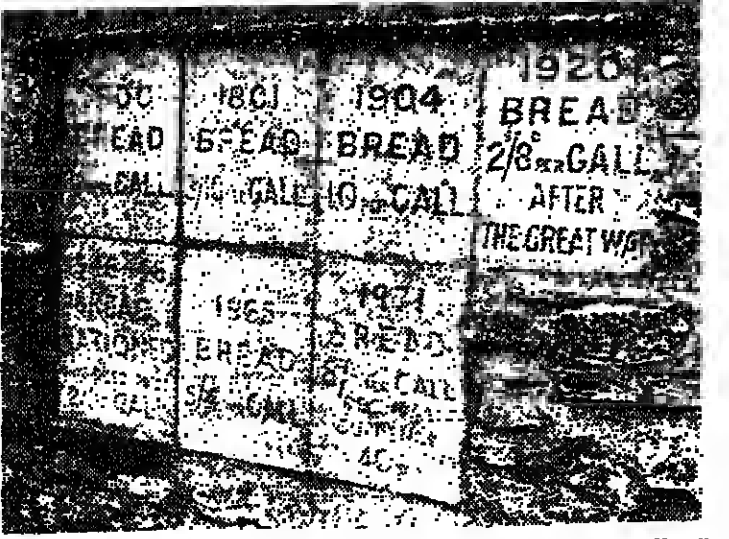
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Business Diary: Successor to Sir Denys • Scanlon's claim

Charles Johnston, whose appointment as the successor to Denys Lawson as chairman of Australian Estates was announced last night, is, as the announcement says, a former High Commissioner to Malaya 1965-1971. What the announcement does not say, however, is that since 1971 Sir Johnston has been chairman of Australian Estates, a company which is the subject of a current Department of Trade investigation, arising from transactions in the year after Sir Denys joined the board involving the sale of Australian shares in South Winnie Limited and Angus Milling (Holdings) Limited, companies in which directors of Australian Estates were associated.

Sir Denys, for instance, was that time chairman of South Winnipeg. Sir Charles' election the Australian Estates was announced after a board meeting yesterday. Asked whether there had been any discussion as to whether it might be better to bring in an outsider, a fellow Australian and director, Sir Denys' son, said that the decision to appoint Sir Charles was unanimous.



The missing stone in the picture might say "1974, 85p per gallon" from next week, sitting rather uncomfortably against its "40p" predecessor. Were it not for Mrs Shirley Williams. The bankers are after a price increase of 1p a loaf, on the 16p unsubsidized price—although Mrs Williams, the Secretary for Prices and Consumer Protection, is likely to hold down the price to the consumer to the current 14½p. Previous increases in the price of a gallon of bread—about five loaves—between 1800 and 1971 are recorded on tablets of stone set into a churchyard wall at Wishford Magna, near Salisbury, Wiltshire.

Compared with his comrades-in-arms in other unions, Hugh Scanlon is a pauper. His principal running mate Jack Jones is in the £8,000 bracket, and even Ken Morgan, the general secretary of the national Union of Journalists, one of the minor jewels in the TUC crown, is a £5,000-a-year man.

Schreiber flair

Chaim Schreiber, who has been nominated by Sir Arnold Weinstock as GEC's domestic appliances supremo, recalls humbler days when he made radiogram cabinets for Weinstock's Sobell radio concern. In those days, says Schreiber, he "did not dare to think so ambitiously" as to imagine himself running a joint company with Sir Arnold.

Schreiber takes over as chairman of the new company, GEC Schreiber, which combines his own company, Schreiber Industries, with British Domestic Appliances, part of GEC. In effect GEC becomes the provider of finance for the new concern and Schreiber the "provider of flair in the consumer goods sector", says Chaim Schreiber.

A 56-year-old Pole who studied architecture in Vienna then came to Britain in 1938 at the time of the Anschluss. Schreiber worked first as a design engineer for the then Ministry of Aircraft Production before beginning his own wood-working company, Lordship Products. That later became Schreiber Wood Industries and later the word "Wood" was deleted. Since those days when the first links with Weinstock

were forged, Schreiber Industries has become one of Europe's biggest furniture producers and for two years has had a marketing agreement with BDA.

Shipshape

Down at Wivenhoe in Essex the workers and management at the tiny shipyard of James W. Cook & Co were happy that Tony Benn did not include their company in his nationalization net. The company, which now forms part of the giant Ocean Transport & Trading group, has been building ships profitably since 1947 as a Wim Cory subsidiary.

The yard employs a total workforce of 100, 20 of them building boats which Benn's big yards would consider small fry. On the present order book are tugs for the Manchester Ship Canal Company, some small coasters and a dredger.

Cook's has an enviable labour relations record—a couple of stragglers each of less than 24 hours in about 20 years, one factor in which has been the company's profit sharing scheme.

Management fixes a price for a particular contract with the workers themselves, be they fitters, boilermakers or whatever, and on agreement a contract is signed between workers and management. Both sides say this provides an incentive to get on with the work. Benn might usefully take a look at the scheme, to give Britain's shipbuilding industry the competitive edge which he so earnestly seeks.

atching up

Hugh Nixon, who in spite of his standing power and position as the lowest-paid union leader in the country, could be in for a much-needed rise.

A deputation representing Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers' engineering workers' 200 full-time officials

yesterday presented themselves before the union's eight-man executive council and sought support for a pay demand which they plan to put to the union's recalled national conference, the top governing body, in November. Any increase in the officials' pay would, on past form, mean an automatic increase for the members of the executive and their president.

The officials are seeking to restore the purchasing power of their salaries to 1970 levels which, they calculate, would mean increases of up to £1,000 a year. If agreed, Scanlon could then reasonably expect a similar addition to his present presidential salary of £3,750.

Union officials at present earn £2,750 a year, and members of the executive £3,250.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

Further substantial losses feared after W Wood investigation

By Tony May. With a preliminary report from the company's accountants now in the hands of W. Wood & Son has nudged one of the steps it is taking over the substantial irregularities in the historical accounting figures of the main luggage subsidiary, British Luggage Group.

Siemens sales surge

Worldwide sales of Siemens AG, the German electrical group, rose 11 per cent in the first nine months of the financial year ending September 30, and foreign sales alone climbed 19 per cent from the same period in the previous year.

Stock markets Late rise from Wall St

A quiet but satisfactory day's trading came to a melodramatic close last night with Wall Street racing ahead and London poised for new highs.

Whitbread takes Italian interest with Heineken

Whitbread, one of Britain's leading brewers, who already have European outlets in Holland, France and Belgium, are expanding further on the Continent - into Italy.

Steadier second half at Wm Jackson

The increased prices of wheat and flour, which could not be recovered because of price restraints, have taken their toll of the profits of William Jackson, Yorkshire bakers and confectioners, and ended a decade of growth.

Steinberg pays extra after late profit reverse

Even though Steinberg Group, ladies' clothing manufacturers, turned in another record pre-tax profit last term (the fifth in succession) a fall in the second half gave profits rather less than thought likely at one stage.

Latest dividends

Table of dividends for various companies including Adams & Gibson, Best & May, and others.

Lewston profits static

Lewston International, the property and civil engineering group, in which Bowater has a substantial stake, and which moved into the leisure industry last year, had a varied experience in the year to March 31 last.

Wall Street

New York, Aug 6. - Stocks on the New York stock exchange closed with strong gains today, though well below their early levels as investors bought first on speculation that President Nixon would resign and pulled back from the market on his refusal.

Geers Gross in £280,000 deal

Geers Gross, the advertising agency and consultants, says it has reached agreement for the purchase of the 96.9 per cent of Thomas Browne Group, formerly P. Browne (Holdings) Ltd, held by Park Place Investments for £280,000.

Vantona's losses

Bringing shareholders up to date on the situation in France, Mr Basil Glass, retiring chairman of Vantona, told the annual meeting that the company's financial guarantees to Vantona-Ever SA amount to about £450,000, and there might be other terminal losses.

Tussaud's lower

Taxable profits of Madame Tussaud's, the entertainments group, in which Regional Properties is a stake, fell in the first half to June 30 were lowered from £237,000 to £221,000 although turnover rose from £729,000 to £747,000.

Talks of St Helen's

St Helen's Securities, an investment trust whose current share price of 18p gives it a

Issues & Loans

Local authority coupon down

The coupon on local authority yearling bonds this week has fallen by a point to 13 1/2 per cent with an issue price of par. Issues to the value of £12.25m were made by the following authorities: Dyfed, Hereford & Worcester, Huntingdon, South Northamptonshire, Walsall, Forest Heath, St Albans, Stoke-on-Trent, Pool, Coventry, South Essex, Sbitce, Durham, South Scotland Water Board, Tewkesbury.

Carter Hawley loan

Carter Hawley Hale notes the United States has raised \$75m seven-year loan with the banks. A portion of the proceeds, together with \$25m of the public sale of certain bonds held in deposit since 1972, will be used to finance recently agreed purchase of 20 per cent stake in Home Fraser.

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

Table of Eurobond prices for various countries and maturities.

Briefly

M & G SPECIAL TRUST FUND: Interim distribution of income units for accounting period to February 9, 1975, will be 1.20p net per unit on September 30 (last year 1p).

TEX ABRASIVES

Given a clear run, chairman is convinced that turnover will rise, and hopes that profits will show a relative increase.

COUNTY & DIST PROPS

Last term after transfer from capital reserve of £1.06m (£23,000) before tax amount available for distribution was £400,000 (£23,000). Net rose from £164,000 to £189,000. Dividend up from 1.1p to 2p against £1.06m of 1.1p earnings were 1.85p (1.1p) a share.

GRAFF DIAMONDS

Mr L. Graff, chairman, in review he is hopeful of a substantial profit growth over a few years.

WRIGHT, BINDLEY & GILL

Pentons has acquired 41 ordinary shares of Wright & Gill, bringing their stake to 27.34 per cent.

Large table of stock market prices for various companies and sectors.

Nchanga Consolidated Copper Mines Limited

Extracts from the Statement by the Chairman, The Hon. E. A. Kashita, M.P.

On 31st August 1973, His Excellency the President of Zambia, Dr K. D. Kaunda, announced that important changes were to be made in the structure and environment of the Zambian mining industry.

At the same time, the Government announced that it intended to restructure the outstanding Zimco Bonds 1978 and Zimco Loan Stocks 1982 in September 1973.

The measures announced by His Excellency also provided for the formation of a metal sales company which would be wholly-owned by the Zambian Government.

Certain of the proposed changes require, for their implementation, the re-negotiation of the existing management and sales agreements and the alteration of the Articles of Association of our Company.

As I write, copper prices have fallen sharply, while our costs have increased dramatically since this time last year only due to world inflation but also because of our own peculiar circumstances as a land-locked country.

ZAMBIANISATION, TRAINING, MANPOWER PLANNING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS. The Zambianisation programme continued to make progress particularly in the artisan occupations where almost thirty per cent of the expatriate labour force is employed.

The original target for finished copper production was 425,000 tonnes. This had to be revised down to 413,000 tonnes to take account of some loss in production due to capital works in progress.

Copies of this statement with the report and accounts are being posted to Prefixed Shareholders by air on or after 6th August 1974 and copies will be obtainable from the London office of the Company at 10 Holborn Viaduct, EC1A 1JX, or from the office of the United Kingdom Transfer Secretaries, ECIP I.A.R. or from the office of the United Kingdom Transfer Secretaries, ECIP I.A.R. or from the office of the United Kingdom Transfer Secretaries, ECIP I.A.R.

MARKET REPORTS

Commodities

Sugar at fresh peak of £290

The London daily sugar price was yesterday raised to a record 290 a long ton... The movement was largely due to a rise in the price of sugar in the United States...

Base metals nervous

Base metals remained nervous yesterday afternoon as speculation...

Foreign Exchange

Watergate news boosts dollar

The dollar closed stronger on foreign exchanges yesterday on hopes that the cabinet meeting called by President Nixon could bring an early resolution to the problem of Watergate...

Credit adequate for discount market

In the discount market yesterday day-to-day credit remained quite comfortable for most of the session, although conditions later became rather tight...

Bank statements for July

Statements of the London Clearing Banks and their banking subsidiaries in England and Wales, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man made up to July 17 are summarized in the table below.

Table with columns: Bank Name, Total Assets, Total Liabilities, etc. for various banks like Bank of England, Bank of Scotland, etc.

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LEGAL NOTICES

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BUSINESSES FOR SALE

Advertisement for businesses for sale, including a dark room and view cafe business in London.

PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO

Advertisement for a photographic studio, offering dark room and view cafe business.

DOMESTIC BUREAU

Advertisement for a domestic bureau, offering services in London.

PLANT AND MACHINERY

Advertisement for plant and machinery, including a generator set.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Public notices regarding legal matters, including liquidation and company matters.

Coffee talks postponed

Talks in London to negotiate a new world coffee pact have been postponed until September.

Outlook 'bright' at Nchanga

Sharply declining copper prices have been accompanied by a dramatic increase in Nchanga Consolidated Copper Mines.

Bank Base Rates

Table showing bank base rates for various banks like Barclays Bank, NFFC, etc.

Spot Position of Sterling

Table showing the spot position of sterling, including market rates and bank rates.

Forward Levels

Table showing forward levels for various currencies and financial instruments.

Money Market Rates

Table showing money market rates, including bank of England rates and clearing bank rates.

Recent Issues

Table showing recent issues of various financial instruments, including government securities and corporate bonds.

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London and Regional Market Prices

Firm in late dealings

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Main market price table with columns for Stock, Price, Change, Div Yield, and various market indices. Includes sections for Commercial and Industrial, Commonwealth and Foreign, Local Authorities, Foreign Stocks, Dollar Stocks, Banks and Discounts, Breweries and Distilleries, Insurance, Investment Trusts, Property, Rubber, Shipping, and Regionals.

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£2,500 p.a. An exciting opening for a girl who has a sense of responsibility and the savoir-faire to assist charming Director of world-wide Yacht Agency, based in Victoria. The girl we are looking for must have a sense of humour and be completely fluent in French. It would be helpful if you are able to speak Spanish, Italian or German as a third language. Please telephone Valerie Hemmings at Weybridge 4722 for further information and details of interviews to be held in London during the week commencing 13th August (post will be operative from 1st October). Please prefer to apply in writing please address details to Valerie Hemmings at: Romulus, Church Road, Shepperton, Midd. TW17 9JT.

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National Recreation Organisation in Mayfair requires a Senior Secretary to report to the Deputy Secretary, who is responsible for Finance and Administration. The ideal person should be aged 25 plus, with good shorthand, typing speeds and telephone manner.

Salary in the region of £2,000 p.a. plus £1.50 per week L.V.s. Non-contributory Pension Scheme, hours 9.30-5.30.

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Salary from £2,000 plus L.V.s. Own office. CONTACT COMPANY SECRETARY ON 01-242 0971

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Editorial office. Excellent conditions. Salary £2,500 p.a. negotiable. Please call Fay Brauer at 734 2763.

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588 0174 M & J-The caring way

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Our client has asked us to find an intelligent, adaptable girl to be their Company Secretary. She will need shorthand/typing skills, a knowledge of company administration, and the person's legal and financial aspects is essential. The Company is located in a fashionable area and offers a salary of £2,000 plus free lunches. Contact Sue O'Connor, 493 84 Street, W.1.

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DEATHS

APPLETON. In death, FRANCIS J. APPLETON, aged 72, died on August 6, 1974, at his home, 15, St. Paul's Road, London, N.W.1. He was the husband of Mrs. M. J. Appleton, nee Jones, and the father of Mrs. M. J. Appleton, nee Jones, and the father of Mrs. M. J. Appleton, nee Jones.

DEATHS

LANG. On August 6, 1974, at his home, 15, St. Paul's Road, London, N.W.1, died peacefully after a long illness, Mr. J. H. Lang, aged 72, the husband of Mrs. M. J. Lang, nee Jones, and the father of Mrs. M. J. Lang, nee Jones.

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LAWES. On August 6, 1974, at his home, 15, St. Paul's Road, London, N.W.1, died peacefully after a long illness, Mr. J. H. Lawes, aged 72, the husband of Mrs. M. J. Lawes, nee Jones, and the father of Mrs. M. J. Lawes, nee Jones.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CANCER RESEARCH. Please help the Imperial Cancer Research Fund in its fight against cancer. The fund is a charity and is exempt from income tax. It is a registered charity and is exempt from income tax.

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Monday 12th August until Tuesday 27th August for staff holidays.

UK HOLIDAYS

W. SCOTLAND CRUISES. Cabins available on new 72ft. Motor Charter Yacht, cruises to the Hebrides, Orkney and Shetland Islands.

UK HOLIDAYS

ALGARVE (CARVOIRO). Villa for sale available 225 sq. ft. with 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, swimming pool, garden, etc.

HOLIDAYS AND VILLAS

GRECE 9TH AUGUST. 1 wk. £60-£80; 2 wks. £60-£80. NO SURCHARGES.

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A TWO-WEEK COURSE IN LIVING. Tired, depressed? The FT index a worry? Try a two-week course in living.

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AFRICA SPECIALISTS. We specialise in Africa. Kenya, Tanzania, Botswana, Zimbabwe, etc.

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TRY MRS DINO'S MOUSSAKA! Just above the picturesque fishing village of Nissaki, a pretty villa that cannot fail to delight any who want a relaxed holiday in peaceful surroundings.

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BIRTHS

CUNY. On August 1st, 1974, at the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cuny, a son, James, to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cuny, of London.

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